



PA-35-2026

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MICHAEL S. LOEFFLER
Interim Director

PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Michael S. Loeffler, Interim Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, upon the recommendation of Dr. Lawrence Greenblatt, State Health Director, Department of Health and Human Services, hereby announces that the following changes in shellfish harvesting areas will take effect at sunrise, Saturday, August 15, 2026.

All those waters in Brunswick County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the July 25, August 4, and August 5, 2026, temporary closures **except the following which remains closed:**

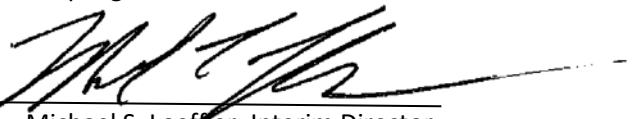
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All those waters between the permanent closure line near IWW Marker "89" in Ocean Isle and the South Carolina State Line, to include the Tubbs Inlet area.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of N.C.G.S. 113-170.4; 113-170.5; 113-182; 113-221.1; 143B-289.52 and N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03H .0103 and 03K .0101.
- B. It is unlawful to violate the provisions of any proclamation issued by the N.C. Fisheries Director under their delegated authority pursuant to N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03H .0103.
- C. In accordance with N.C. General Statute 113-221.1(c) all persons who may be affected by proclamations issued by the Fisheries Director are under a duty to keep themselves informed of current proclamations.
- D. This proclamation returns the following areas to normal closure boundaries: Ocean Isle Beach and Lockwoods Folly River.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY:


Michael S. Loeffler, Interim Director
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

August 14, 2026
11:05 A.M.
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