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PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Stephen W. Murphey, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, upon the recommendation of Betsey Tilson, M.D., M.P.H., State Health Director, Department of Health and Human Services, hereby announces that the following change in a shellfish harvesting area will take effect at sunrise, Wednesday, March 4, 2020.

All those waters in Carteret County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the February 21, 2020, temporary closures, and as described in PA-PC-2020, **except the following which will remain closed:**

CARTERET COUNTY

White Oak River - All those waters in White Oak River upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 41.9497' N -77° 06.9846' W on the west shore; running easterly near the northern tip of Jones Island to a point 34° 41.9395' N -77° 05.6599' W on the east shore.

Newport River - All those waters in Newport River upstream of a straight line beginning at a point 34° 45.6646' N - 76° 44.0603' W on the south shore near Lawton Point, running northerly to a point 34° 46.5724' N -76° 44.3786' W on the north shore just upstream of Hammock Rock.

The following also remains closed:

BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER / ONSLOW COUNTIES

All those waters bordered on the east by a line beginning at a point 33° 54.2904' N - 78° 23.6416' W on the mainland near the Bricklanding Road Public Boat Ramp and IWW Beacon "84"; running southerly to a point 33° 54.1932' N - 78° 23.6426' W on Ocean Isle Beach near Ferry Landing Park; and bordered on the west by the South Carolina State Line.


Shallotte River – All those waters in Shallotte River upstream of a line beginning at a point 33° 55.3874' N - 78° 22.2861' W on the western shore of the Shallotte River approximately 650 yards south of The Swash; running easterly to a point 33° 55.3385' N - 78° 21.7279' W on the eastern shore of the Shallotte River approximately 650 yards south of Shallotte Creek.

All those waters in Back Channel near Money Point within 250 yards of the dredge spoil discharge pipe, bounded by a line beginning at a point 34° 12.0275' N - 77° 49.2434' W, running southwesterly across the channel to a point 34° 11.9910' N - 77° 49.2549' W and continuing to the northwest corner of US Army Corps of Engineers Spoil Island #251, thence running easterly to a point in the marsh at 34° 11.8291' N - 77° 48.9775' W, thence running northerly across the channel to a point 34° 12.0861' N - 77° 48.9214' W.

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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 his 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: A portion of Newport River.
- E. This reopening is due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY: 

Stephen W. Murphey, Director
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

March 3, 2020
10:25 A.M.
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