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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 changes in shellfish harvesting areas will take effect at sunrise, Thursday, June 25, 2020.

All those waters in Pender, Onslow, Carteret, and Craven Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the June 13, June 16, and June 17, 2020, temporary closures **except the following which will remain closed:**

ONSLow / CARTERET COUNTIES

All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland between the Emerald Isle High-rise Bridge and IWW Channel Marker "65A", located just west of Salliers Bay near New River Inlet, to include Salliers Bay, Freeman Creek, Bear Creek, Queens Creek, White Oak River, and all other creeks and tributaries within said boundaries.

Newport River - All those waters in Newport River upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 44.8271' N - 76° 42.1709' W on the south shore near Crab Point; running northeasterly to a point 34° 46.3210' N - 76° 41.2515' W on the west shore of Core Creek.

North River - All those waters in North River upstream of the North River Bridge.

Wade Creek – All those waters in Wade Creek upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 46.3043' N - 76° 30.0493' W on the north shore; running southerly to a point 34° 46.0324' N - 76° 30.0743' W on the south shore.

The following also remains closed:


BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER COUNTIES

All those waters bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 07.7706' N - 77° 52.0833' W on the mainland near Peden Point; running easterly near IWW Marker "141" to a point 34° 07.6007' N - 77° 51.0328' W on Masonboro Island; and bordered on the south by the South Carolina State Line, to include Myrtle Grove Sound, Cape Fear River, Bald Head Island, Lockwoods Folly River area, Holden Beach, Shallotte River, Ocean Isle, and Tubbs Inlet.

All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland in Myrtle Grove Sound between IWW Marker "141" (34° 07.7515' N - 77° 51.9560' W) near Peden Point and IWW Marker "155" (34° 04.8189' N - 77° 52.9654' W) near Carolina Beach Inlet.

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: Stump Sound, Browns Inlet area, Bear Inlet area, Bogue Inlet area, Deer Creek, Hunting Island Bay, Goose Creek, Sanders Creek, Gales Creek, Bogue Sound, Adams Creek, and South River.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY: 
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DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

June 24, 2020
12:30 P.M
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