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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, Friday, June 26, 2020.

All those waters in New Hanover, Onslow, and Carteret Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the May 21, June 13, June 16, and June 17, 2020, temporary closures **except the following which will remain closed:**

NEW HANOVER / ONSLOW / CARTERET COUNTIES

All those waters bordered on the north by Snows Cut and bordered on the south by the South Carolina State Line, to include 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.

All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland, between IWW Beacon "49" (34° 40.2621'N - 77° 07.9802' W), near Swansboro, and IWW Beacon "55" (34° 38.5749'N - 77° 10.8033' W), to include Queens Creek.

White Oak River - All those waters in White Oak River upstream of the Highway 24 Bridge at Swansboro.

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.

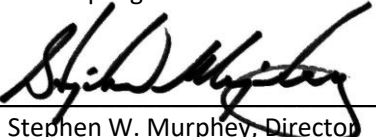
The following also remains closed:

BRUNSWICK COUNTY

All those waters bordered on the north by Snows Cut; and bordered on the south by the South Carolina State Line, to include Cape Fear River, Bald Head Island, Lockwoods Folly River area, Holden Beach, Shallotte River, Ocean Isle, and Tubbs 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: a portion of Myrtle Grove Sound, Salliers Bay, Freeman Creek, Bear Creek, Intracoastal Waterway near Cedar Point, and Wade Creek.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

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

June 25, 2020
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