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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, Saturday, June 27, 2020.

All those waters in Brunswick and Carteret 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:**

### BRUNSWICK / CARTERET COUNTIES

**All those waters** bordered on the east by the permanent closure line near IWW Beacon "69"; and bordered on the west by the South Carolina State Line, to include Shallotte River, Ocean Isle, and Tubbs Inlet.

**All those waters** bordered on the north by Snows Cut and bordered on the south by IWW Beacon "1" near Southport, to include Cape Fear River and Bald Head Island.

**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° 45.6960' N - 76° 43.5180' W on the south shore near Penn Point; running northerly to a point 34° 46.5349' N - 76° 43.5087' W on the west shore of Harlowe Creek.

### The following also remains closed:

### NEW HANOVER / ONSLOW COUNTIES

**All those waters** bordered on the north by Snows Cut and bordered on the south by IWW Beacon "1" near Southport, to include Cape Fear River and Bald Head Island.

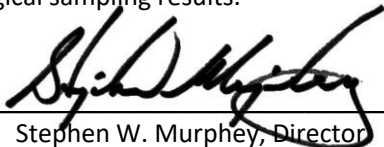
**All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland,** in Myrtle Grove Sound between IWW Marker "141" (34° 07.7515' N - 77° 51.9560' W) near Peden Point and IWW Marker "155" (34° 04.8189' N - 77° 52.9654' W) near Carolina Beach Inlet.

**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.

### 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 Holden Beach, Lockwoods Folly River, a portion of Newport River, and North River.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY:   
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DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

June 26, 2020  
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