



**PA-93-2020**

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*Governor*

**MICHAEL S. REGAN**  
*Secretary*

**STEPHEN W. MURPHEY**  
*Director*

**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 shellfish area temporary **closure** will **take effect immediately**.

It is unlawful for any person to take or attempt to take any oysters, clams or mussels or possess, sell or offer for sale any oysters, clams or mussels taken from the following polluted area:

**ONslow COUNTY**

**New River - All those waters in New River** upstream of a line beginning on the northwest shore at Grey Point (34° 37.6001' N - 77° 22.3821' W) running southeasterly across the river to a point 34° 37.0831' N - 77° 21.5967' W near Goose Creek.

**The following also remains closed:**

**BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER / ONslow / CARTERET COUNTIES**

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

**All those waters** upstream of a straight 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.

**Lockwoods Folly River - All those waters** north of a line beginning at a point 33° 55.5678' N - 78° 13.8043' W on the south shore of Spring Creek near the mouth; running easterly to a point 33° 55.4621' N - 78° 13.1714' W near the northern tip of Sheep Island; thence running southeasterly to a point 33° 55.2284' N - 78° 12.7791' W near the northwest point of Horse Island, to include a portion of the Intracoastal Waterway north of Horse and Sheep Islands.

**All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland** between IWW Marker "129" (34° 11.5153' N - 77° 49.5764' W) near Shinn Creek and IWW Marker "141" (34° 07.7515' N - 77° 51.9560' W) near Peden Point.

**Queens Creek - All those waters in Queens Creek** upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 39.8479' N - 77° 09.1171' W on the west shore; running northeasterly to a point 34° 40.2031' N - 77° 08.4408' W on the east shore near the State Park Boat Ramp.

**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 the Highway 70 High Rise Bridge and the Morehead-Beaufort Causeway, to include all tributaries and Core Creek.

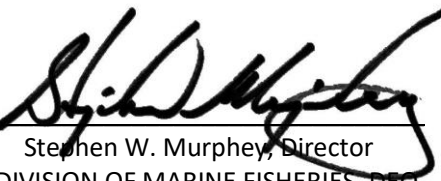
**North River – All those waters in North River** upstream of a line beginning at a point on the west shore at 34° 46.0460' N - 76° 37.0517' W, running easterly to a point on the east shore at 34° 46.2731' N - 76° 35.4724' W (near the DMF Shrimp Line).

**Jarrett Bay – All those waters in Jarrett Bay** north of a line beginning at a point 34° 47.1861' N - 76° 29.8331' W on the west shore near the mouth of Williston Creek; running easterly across the bay to a point 34° 47.1144' N - 76° 29.4531' W on the eastern shore near Great Creek.

**Oyster Creek – All those waters in Oyster Creek** upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 48.8185' N - 76° 26.9761' W on the west shore; running northeasterly to a point 34° 48.9768' N - 76° 26.6340' W on the east shore.

**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 temporary closure is due to the discharge of untreated wastewater to the river.

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

August 25, 2020  
12:30 P.M.  
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