



# *NC Marine Patrol Update*

*DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY*

Marine Fisheries

Col. Christopher Lee



# *NC Marine Patrol Update*

- Marine Patrol Duties
- 3 Marine Patrol Districts
- 2026 The year of hiring
- Tools of the trade
- 2026 Jr. Marine Patrol Academy
- 2026 NC Marine Patrol Officer of the Year
- Questions

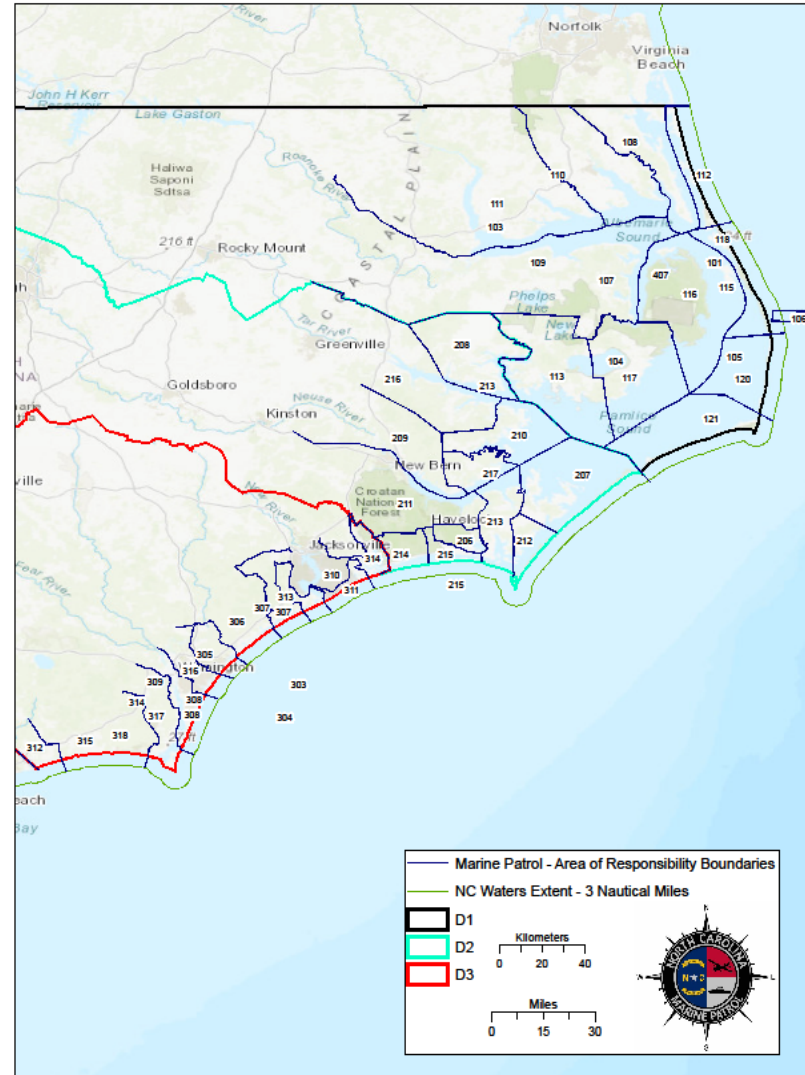


# *Defining a Marine Patrol Officer*



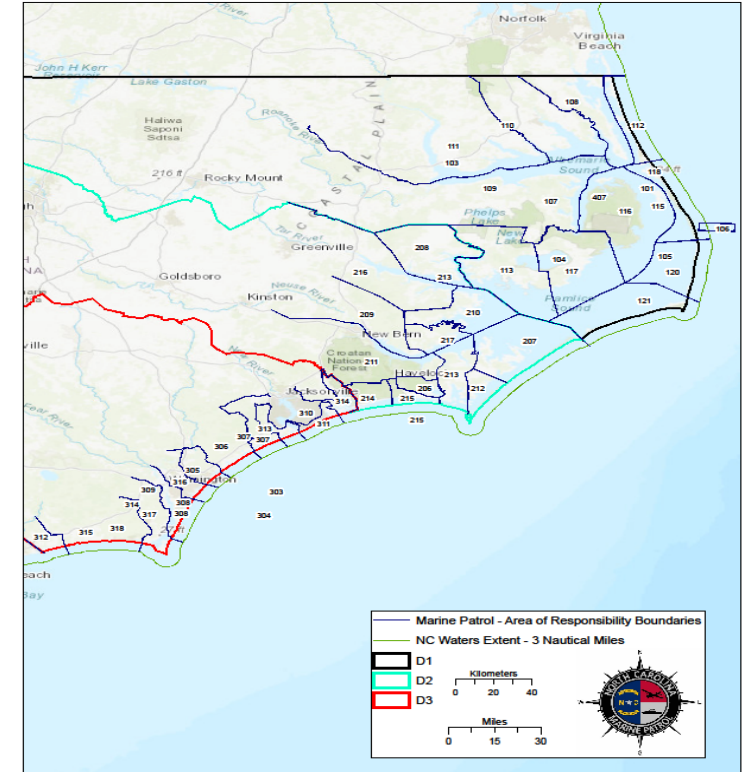


# 3 Marine Patrol Districts



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- Carter Witten retirement Col. Chris Lee promoted Jan 1
  - Jason Walker retirement Major Eddie Mann Feb 1
  - D1 Captain promotion Jason Parker from District 3
  - Now currently have 2 vacant Sgt. Positions
  - 3 vacant officer positions. 2 D3 1 in D1
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- Retirements
  - Officer Michael Long Feb 1
  - Sgt. Brian Long of D1 to retire August 1
  - Officer Bill Register of D3 August 1
  - Pilot Mark Daniels and Investigator Weaver can retire any day
  - This leaves us with 3 vacant Sergeants, and 6 total vacant officer positions





# *Tools of the Trade*

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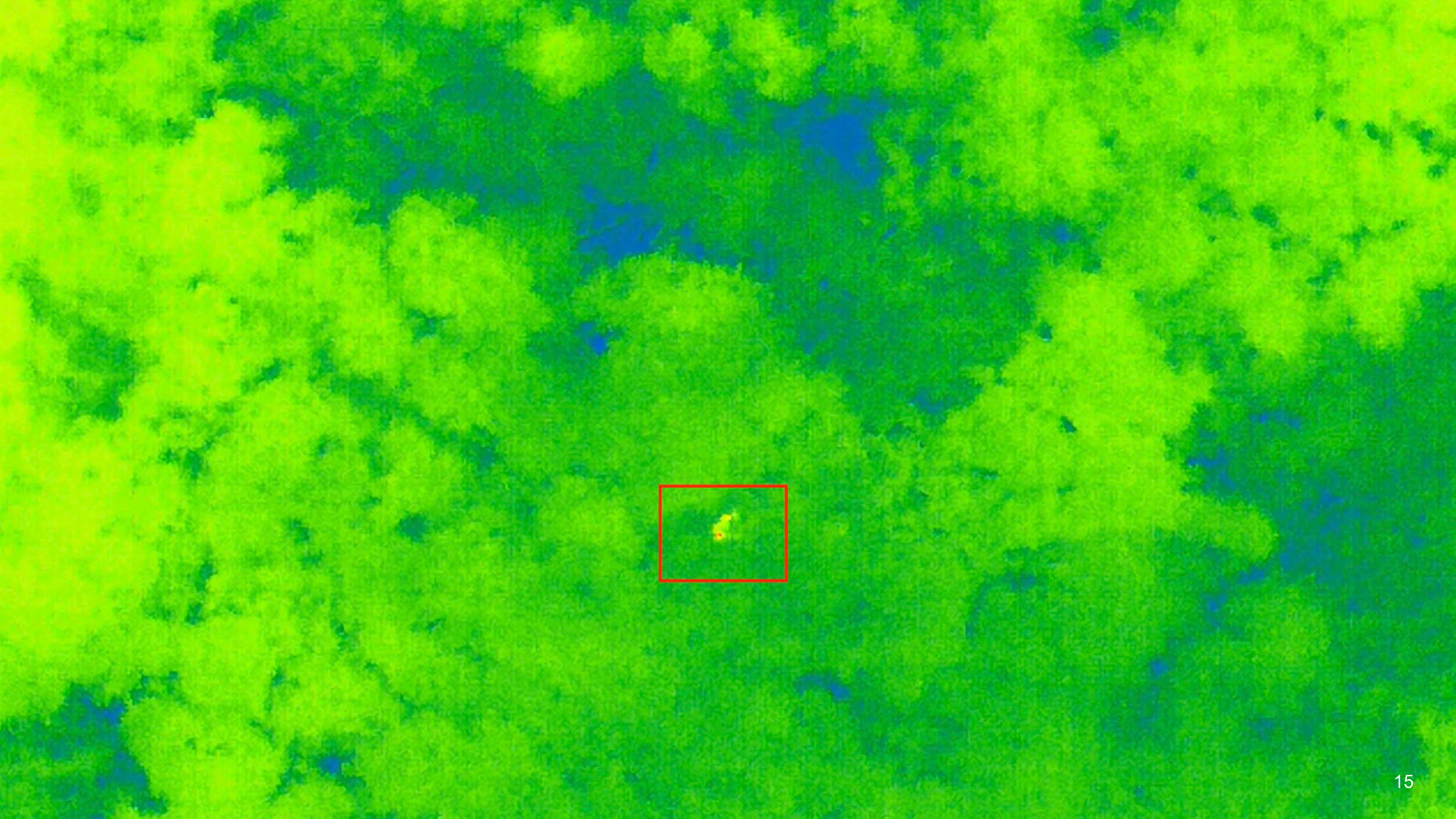




NC MARINE PATROL

EVOLUTION







# *Normal Water Levels Post Storm*





# JUNIOR MARINE PATROL ACADEMY



- 2026 Jr. Marine Patrol Academy
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year for Morehead City
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year for Oregon Inlet
- D3 Wilmington Area coming soon.
- 12 Middle school aged kids in each course.













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*Any Questions?????*