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PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Kathy B. Rawls, 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 change in shellfish harvesting area will take effect at sunrise, Friday, May 27, 2022.

All those waters in Carteret County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the May 13 and May 17, 2022, temporary closures.

The following remains closed:

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Bear Creek – All those waters in Bear Creek upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 38.0080'N - 77° 12.2906' W on the west shore; running northeasterly to a point 34° 38.0599'N - 77° 12.1801' W on the east shore.

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.

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. It should be noted that shellfish leases or franchises closed on or after April 6, 2022, to allow relaying of shellfish from closed areas remain closed.
- E. This proclamation returns the following area to normal closure boundaries: North River.
- F. This reopening is due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY:

Kathy B. Rawls, Director

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