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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 changes in shellfish harvesting areas will take effect at 7:10 A.M., Thursday, January 27, 2022.

All those waters in Onslow and Carteret Counties will return to the status described in PA-PC-2022, **except the following which remains closed:** 

## **ONSLOW / CARTERET COUNTIES**

<u>All those waters</u> in Stump Sound bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 28.2180′ N - 77° 30.5521′ W on the mainland near Morris Landing, running southeasterly near Beacon "49" to a point on Topsail Island at 34° 27.273′ N -77° 29.937′ W; and bordered on the south by the Surf City Bridge.

<u>All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland</u> in Stump Sound between the North Topsail High Rise Bridge and Beacon "49" near Morris Landing, to include the Intracoastal Waterway.

White Oak River - All those waters in White Oak River upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 41.9497' N - 77° 06.9846' W on the west shore; running easterly near the northern tip of Jones Island to a point 34° 41.9395' N -77° 05.6599' W on the east shore.

# The following also remains closed:

## PENDER COUNTY

<u>All those waters</u> in Stump Sound bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 28.2180′ N - 77° 30.5521′ W on the mainland near Morris Landing, running southeasterly near Beacon "49" to a point on Topsail Island at 34° 27.273′ N -77° 29.937′ W; and bordered on the south by the Surf City Bridge.

# **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 Stump Sound, Queens Creek, and Newport River.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

Kathy B. Rawls, Director

DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

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