



**PA-84-2024**

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**KATHY B. RAWLS**  
*Director*

## **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 sunrise, Friday, September 6, 2024.

All those waters in Onslow and Carteret Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the July 26, July 27, August 3, August 7, August 8, August 10, August 21, September 3, and September 5, 2024, temporary closures **except the following which remain closed:**

### **ONSLow / CARTERET COUNTIES**

**New River - All those waters in New River** upstream of a line beginning at a point on the north shore at 34° 36.6599' N - 77° 23.8406' W; running southeasterly near Marker "33" to a point on the south shore at 34° 36.0504' N - 77° 23.5911' W.

**All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland** in Bogue Sound between Humphrey Point near Goose Creek (34° 41.2885' N - 77° 01.0408' W) and the Emerald Isle High Rise Bridge, to include the Intracoastal Waterway, Deer Creek, and Hunting Island Bay.

**Core Creek – All those waters in Core Creek** upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 46.3210' N - 76° 41.2515' W on the west shore, running easterly near IWW Marker "25" to a point 34° 46.2251' N - 76° 40.5919' W on the east shore near the mouth of Ware Creek.

### **The following also remains closed:**

### **BRUNSWICK COUNTY**

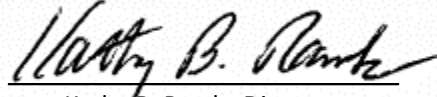
**All those waters** between IWW Beacon "48A" (33° 55.2179' N - 78° 14.5628' W) and the permanent closure line between the Holden Beach Bridge and IWW Beacon "51".

### **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: Alligator Bay, White Oak River, a portion of Bogue Sound, and Newport River.

- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results, as well as sufficient time having elapsed to reduce pathogens that might have been present to acceptable levels in the area impacted by the Morehead City sewer spill.

BY:

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Kathy B. Rawls, Director

DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

September 5, 2024

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