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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 sunrise, Friday, September 27, 2024.

All those waters in Onslow, Carteret, and Craven 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, September 5, September 13, September 14, September 15, and September 17, 2024, temporary closures **except the following which remain closed:**

ONSLOW / CARTERET COUNTIES

All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland between IWW Beacon "49" (34° 40.2621' N - 77° 07.9802' W), near Swansboro, and IWW Beacon "55" (34° 38.5749' N - 77° 10.8033' W), to include the Intracoastal Waterway and Queens Creek.

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.

All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland in Bogue Sound between IWW Beacon "24" and IWW Marker "33", to include the Intracoastal Waterway, Sanders Creek, and Broad Creek.

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 upstream of a straight line beginning at a point 34° 44.4581' N - 76° 37.3826' W on the shore south of Cow Pen Creek; running easterly near the old Fl. "Danger" Beacon to a point 34° 44.4929' N - 76° 35.3320' W on the northwest shore of Goose Bay, to include all of Ward Creek.

Jarrett Bay - All those waters in Jarrett Bay upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 45.9213' N - 76° 29.2047' W on the east shore of Spit Bay; running in a straight line to a point 34° 45.7944' N - 76° 29.3623' W at the northern tip of Davis Island; thence running in a straight line to a point 34° 45.5281' N - 76° 30.1032' W at the "Chimney" near Jump Run 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.

Thorofare Bay - All those waters in Thorofare Bay west of a line beginning at Lookout Point, running across Thorofare Bay to Hall Point near Atlantic.

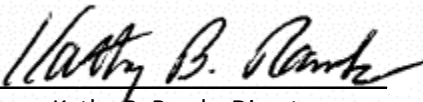
The following also remains closed:

BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER COUNTIES

All those waters bordered on the north by the Wrightsville Beach Bridge and bordered on the south by the South Carolina State Line, to include Tubbs Inlet, Shallotte River, the Shallotte Inlet Area, Lockwoods Folly River, the Lockwoods Folly Inlet Area, Cape Fear River, Bald Head Island, Myrtle Grove Sound, and Masonboro Sound.

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: Salliers Bay, Freeman Creek, Browns Inlet, Bear Creek, a portion of White Oak River, a portion of Bogue Sound, Deer Creek, Hunting Island Bay, Goose Creek, Gales Creek, Adams Creek, and South River.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY: 
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