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North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Division of Marine Fisheries

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PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Dr. Louis B. Daniel III, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, upon the recommendation of Laura Gerald, M.D., M.P.H., State Health Director, Department of Health and Human Services, hereby announces that the following shellfish area temporary **closure** will **take effect immediately**:

No person shall take or attempt to take any oysters, clams or mussels or possess, sell or offer for sale any oysters, clams or mussels taken from the following polluted areas:

NEW HANOVER COUNTY

Hewletts Creek Area – All those waters from between IWW Marker "135" near Whiskey Creek and the Wrightsville Beach Bridge, including all of Hewletts Creek.

The following remains closed:

BRUNSWICK / CARTERET COUNTIES

All those waters between ICWW marker "84" near Ocean Isle and the South Carolina State Line, to include the Tubbs Inlet area.

Newport River - All those waters in Newport River upstream of the Highway 70 High Rise Bridge and Morehead-Beaufort Causeway, to include all tributaries and Core Creek.

North River – All those waters in North River upstream of a straight line beginning at a point at the permanent closure line near Channel Marker #56B to the mainland side of the Harker's Island Bridge at The Straits.

Whitehurst Creek – All those waters in Whitehurst Creek upstream of a straight line across the mouth.

Sleepy Creek – All those waters in Sleepy Creek upstream of a straight line across the mouth.

Jarrett Bay – All those waters upstream of a line beginning at a point on the east shore of Spit Bay; thence in a straight line to the southern end of Davis Island; thence in a straight line thru Flashing Beacon #36; thence in a straight line to the southeast end of Bells Island; thence in a straight line to a point on the Marshallberg shoreline.

Oyster Creek- All those waters in Oyster Creek upstream of the Highway 70 Bridge.

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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. This temporary closure is due to a lift station malfunction and sewage discharge into Hewletts Creek adjacent to Masonboro Sound in New Hanover County.

BY: _____
Dr. Louis B. Daniel III, Director
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