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PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Stephen W. Murphey, 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, Wednesday, August 12, 2020.

All those waters in Pender and Onslow Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the August 4, 2020 temporary closures **except the following which will remain closed:**

ONSLOW COUNTY

All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland, between IWW Marker "45A", near Cedar Point, and IWW Beacon "55" (34° 38.5749'N - 77° 10.8033' W), to include Queens Creek and White Oak River.

The following also remains closed:

BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER / CARTERET COUNTIES

All those waters between IWW Beacon "1" near Southport and the South Carolina State Line, to include Tubbs Inlet, Shallotte River, and Lockwoods Folly River.

All those waters in Middle Sound bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34°19.5068'N -77°42.9887' W on the mainland; running southerly near IWW Marker "105" and following the eastern shore of Green Channel to the southern tip of Hutaff Island near Rich Inlet; and bordered on the south by the Wrightsville Beach Bridge, to include Pages Creek and all of Green Channel.

All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland, between IWW Marker "45A", near Cedar Point, and IWW Beacon "55" (34° 38.5749'N - 77° 10.8033' W), to include Queens Creek and White Oak River.

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: Stump Sound, Salliers Bay, Freeman Creek, and Bear Creek.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.