PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT AREA

Dr. Louis B. Daniel, III, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, hereby announces that the following Shellfish Management Areas **will open** to the taking of oysters and clams by hand or hand tongs effective at **sunrise, Monday, October 15, 2012**:

I. AREA DESCRIPTIONS

ONSLOW COUNTY

ALL SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT AREAS IN NEW RIVER AND ALLIGATOR BAY WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

Alligator Bay (CF), Everett's Bay, and Traps Bay Spoil Oyster Management Areas- The North Carolina Coastal Federation's cultch/monitoring sites located on the southwest side of Trap's Bay (attached Map #1), Alligator Bay and the northeast side of Everett's Bay (attached Map #2) **shall remained closed** to the taking of clams and oysters. These areas are shown as the hatched area on the attached maps and GPS locations are listed below.

Trap's Bay	Alligator Bay	Everett's Bay
34 33.7179' N -77 21.2955' W	34 30.1848' N -77 24.9200' W	34 29.0566' N -77 27.8512' W
34 33.7197' N - 77 21.2563' W	34 30.1526' N - 77 24.9073' W	34 29.0951' N - 77 27.7320' W
34 33.6861' N -77 21.2213' W	34 30.2487' N -77 24.7168' W	34 28.9713' N -77 27.8060' W
34 33.6738' N - 77 21.2483' W	34 30.2180' N - 77 24.7002' W	34 29.0277' N - 77 27.6782' W

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of G.S. 113-182; 113-221; 143B-289.52 and implementing N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03H .0103 and 03K .0103.

B. It is unlawful to violate the provisions of any proclamation issued by the Fisheries Director under his delegated authority per N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03H .0103.

C. This opening will take place only if these areas have been re-opened to shellfishing.

D. The Management Areas in New River and Alligator Bay will close to the taking of clams upon the closing of oyster season in 2013.

By: _____
Dr. Louis B. Daniel, III, Director
Division of Marine Fisheries

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