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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, Friday, August 28, 2020.

All those waters in Onslow and Carteret Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the August 14, August 15, August 16, and August 25, 2020, temporary closures **except the following which remain closed:**

### ONSLOW / CARTERET COUNTIES

**New River - All those waters in New River** upstream of a line beginning on the northwest shore at Grey Point (34° 37.6001' N - 77° 22.3821' W) running southeasterly across the river to a point 34° 37.0831' N - 77° 21.5967' W near Goose Creek.

**Queens Creek - All those waters in Queens Creek** upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 39.8479' N - 77° 09.1171' W on the west shore; running northeasterly to a point 34° 40.2031' N - 77° 08.4408' W on the east shore near the State Park Boat Ramp.

**White Oak River - 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.

**Newport River - All those waters in Newport River** upstream of a straight line beginning at a point 34° 45.6646' N - 76° 44.0603' W on the south shore near Lawton Point, running northerly to a point 34° 46.5724' N - 76° 44.3786' W on the north shore just upstream of Hammock Rock.

### The following also remains closed:

### BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER COUNTIES

**All those waters** between the permanent closure line near IWW Marker "89" in Ocean Isle, and the South Carolina State Line, to include Tubbs Inlet.

**All those waters** upstream of a straight line beginning at a point 33° 55.3874' N - 78° 22.2861' W on the western shore of the Shallotte River approximately 650 yards south of The Swash; running easterly to a point 33° 55.3385' N - 78° 21.7279' W on the eastern shore of the Shallotte River approximately 650 yards south of Shallotte Creek.

**Lockwoods Folly River - All those waters** north of a line beginning at a point 33° 55.5678' N - 78° 13.8043' W on the south shore of Spring Creek near the mouth; running easterly to a point 33° 55.4621' N - 78° 13.1714' W near the northern tip of Sheep Island; thence running southeasterly to a point 33° 55.2284' N - 78° 12.7791' W near the northwest point of Horse Island, to include a portion of the Intracoastal Waterway north of Horse and Sheep Islands.

**All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland** between IWW Marker "129" (34° 11.5153'N - 77° 49.5764' W) near Shinn Creek and IWW Marker "141" (34° 07.7515'N - 77° 51.9560' W) near Peden Point.

**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: A portion of White Oak River, a portion of Newport River, Jarrett Bay, and Oyster Creek.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY:   
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