

ROY COOPER

ELIZABETH S. BISER
Secretary

KATHY B. RAWLS

Director

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, Wednesday, October 20, 2021.

All those waters in Brunswick, Onslow and Carteret Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the October 8, October 9, and October 10, 2021, temporary closures **except the following which remains closed:**

BRUNSWICK / ONSLOW COUNTIES

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

<u>Stump Sound - All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland,</u> between the North Topsail Beach High-rise Bridge and Beacon "49", near Morris Landing, to include the Intracoastal Waterway and a portion of Stump 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: Lockwoods Folly River, Lockwoods Folly River Inlet area, Bear Creek, Queens Creek, Newport River, Core Creek, North River, Ward Creek, Jarrett Bay, and Oyster Creek.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

Kathy B. Rawls, Director
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

October 19, 2021 11:45 A.M. PA-117-2021