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JOHN G. BATHERSON
Acting Director

PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

John G. Batherson, Acting 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, Sunday, February 28, 2021.

All those waters in Brunswick County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the February 1 and February 14, 2021, temporary closures **except the following which remain closed:**

BRUNSWICK COUNTY

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

All those waters between IWW Beacon "1" near Southport and IWW Beacon "48A" (33° 55.2179' N - 78° 14.5628' W), to include Lockwoods Folly River and the Lockwoods Folly Inlet area.

The following also remains closed:

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All those waters, from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland, between IWW Beacon "49" (34° 40.2621' N - 77° 07.9802' W) near Swansboro, and IWW Beacon "55" (34° 38.5749' N - 77° 10.8033' W), to include Queens Creek.

White Oak River - All those waters in White Oak River upstream of the Highway 24 Bridge at Swansboro.

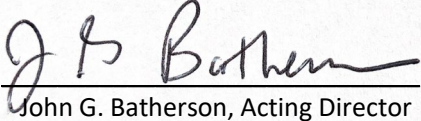
Newport River - All those waters in Newport River upstream of a straight line beginning at a point 34° 45.6646' N - 76° 44.0603' W on the south shore near Lawton Point, running northerly to a point 34° 46.5724' N - 76° 44.3786' W on the north shore just upstream of Hammock Rock.

Core Creek – All those waters in Core Creek upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 46.3210' N - 76° 41.2515' W on the west shore, running easterly near IWW Marker "25" to a point 34° 46.2251' N - 76° 40.5919' W on the east shore near the mouth of Ware Creek.

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 the Intracoastal Waterway near Ocean Isle Beach and Holden Beach.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY: 
John G. Batherson, Acting Director
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

February 27, 2021
1:45 P.M.
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