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## 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, Thursday, June 17, 2021.

All those waters in Onslow and Carteret Counties will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the May 30, June 4, and June 11, 2021, temporary closures **except the following which remains closed:**

### ONSLow / CARTERET COUNTIES

**All those waters** bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 31.1227' N - 77° 22.3142' W on the mainland, running southerly near Beacon "15" to a point 34° 31.0527' N - 77° 22.2654' W on North Topsail Beach, near Galleon Bay; and bordered on the south by the Surf City Bridge, to include Stump Sound, Everett Bay, and Alligator Bay.

**All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland** between the Emerald Isle High-rise Bridge and IWW Beacon "59" (34° 37.3978' N - 77° 12.6533' W), to include Bear Creek, Queens Creek and White Oak River.

**Bogue Sound - All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland** in Bogue Sound between IWW Marker "24" and IWW Beacon "33", to include Sanders Creek and Broad Creek.

**Wade Creek – All those waters in Wade Creek** upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 46.3043' N - 76° 30.0493' W on the north shore; running southerly to a point 34° 46.0324' N - 76° 30.0743' W on the south shore.

**Oyster Creek - All those waters in Oyster Creek** upstream of a straight line across the mouth, beginning at a point 34° 48.8185' N - 76° 26.9761' W on the west shore; running northeasterly to a point 34° 48.9768' N - 76° 26.6340' W on the east shore.

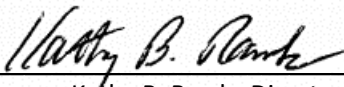
**The following also remains closed:**

### PENDER COUNTY

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### **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: Chadwick Bay, Newport River, North River, Ward Creek, Whitehurst Creek, Sleepy Creek, the Straits, a portion of Jarrett Bay, Brett Bay, and Nelson Bay.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

BY:   
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