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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 shellfish area temporary **closures will take effect immediately**.

It is unlawful for any person to take or attempt to take any oysters, clams or mussels or possess, sell or offer for sale any oysters, clams or mussels taken from the following polluted areas:

BRUNSWICK / NEW HANOVER / PENDER / ONSLOW / CARTERET / CRAVEN / PAMLICO COUNTIES

All those waters bordered on the northeast by a line beginning at a point 34° 54.2203' N -76° 18.8592' W near Hall Point in Atlantic, running southeasterly to Beacon "20"; thence running southwesterly to Beacon "33" in Core Sound; thence running southwesterly to Green Marker "37" off Jarrett Bay; thence running southwesterly to Shell Point on Harkers Island; thence running westerly following the south shore of Harkers Island to a point 34° 42.0981' N - 76° 35.0718' W, thence running southerly through Bottle Run Point to a point on Shackelford Banks at 34° 40.1094' N - 76° 35.1799' W; and bordered on the southwest by the South Carolina State Line, to include all waters in Brunswick County, New Hanover County, Pender County, and Onslow County, as well as White Oak River, Bogue Sound, Newport River, North River, Ward Creek, The Straits, Whitehurst Creek, Sleepy Creek, Jarrett Bay, Oyster Creek, Brett Bay, Nelson Bay, and portions of Back Sound and Core Sound.

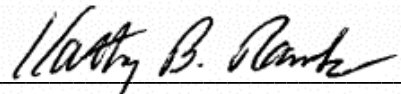
All those waters bounded in the north and east by a line beginning at a point 34° 59.1474' N - 76° 16.3156' W on Hog Island, running southeasterly to a point 34° 58.9645' N - 76° 16.1410' W; thence following the shoreline to Hog Island Point; thence running southwesterly to Long Point, thence running southwesterly to Lookout Point, thence running southwesterly to Hall Point in Atlantic, to include Thorofare Bay, Rumley Bay, Lewis Creek, and Cedar Island Bay.

All those waters bordered on the northeast by a line beginning at Sow Point in Pamlico County, running southwesterly to Bay Point, thence running southerly to Maw Point, thence running southeasterly to Fl. Beacon "NR" in Neuse River, thence running southeasterly to Point of Marsh, thence running easterly to Point of Grass and following the shoreline of Cedar Island to the Cedar Island Ferry Terminal, to include Long Bay, West Bay, North Bay, West Thorofare Bay, Neuse River, Adams Creek, South River, Turnagain Bay, Bay River, and Jones Bay.

All those waters in Oyster Creek (Pamlico County), James Creek, Middle Prong, and Clark Creek bordered on the north by a line beginning at Beard Island Point, running northwesterly to a point on the eastern tip of Cedar Island (Pamlico County) at 35° 19.4905' N - 76° 32.2801' W; thence running westerly to the tip of Pine Hammock; and bordered on the southeast by a line across Mouse Harbor Ditch from a point 35° 17.8461' N - 76° 30.1404' W to a point 35° 17.8219' N - 76° 30.1512' W.

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. These temporary closures are due to heavy rainfall and resultant runoff.

BY: 
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