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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, Friday, June 28, 2024.

All those waters in Carteret County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the June 25, 2024, temporary closures **except the following which remains closed:** 

North River – All those waters in North River upstream of the North River Bridge.

# The following also remains closed:

### **ONSLOW COUNTY**

<u>All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland</u> between IWW Beacon "49" (34° 40.2621'N - 77° 07.9802' W), near Swansboro, Bridge and IWW Beacon "59" (34° 37.3978'N - 77° 12.6533' W), to include the Intracoastal Waterway, Bear Creek, and Queens 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: Newport River, Core Creek, a portion of North River, Ward Creek, and Oyster Creek.
- E. These reopenings are due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

Kathy B. Rawls, Director

DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

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