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SF-3-2020

PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT AREA – CARTERET COUNTY

This proclamation sets boundaries for two enhanced oyster reefs and designates them as Shellfish Management Areas. The areas within these boundaries are closed to the taking of shellfish and to the use of trawl net, long haul seine, or swipe net gears.

Stephen W. Murphey, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, hereby announces that **effective at 12:01 A.M., Thursday, September 3, 2020**, the following areas are declared Shellfish Management Areas and **are closed** to the taking of all shellfish. It is unlawful to take shellfish or to use trawl net, long haul seine, or swipe net gears from any designated Shellfish Management Area which has been closed and posted.

I. AREA DESCRIPTIONS

Carteret County

A. **Jarrett Bay Spat on Shell Enhancement Site:** A 0.25-acre site as shown on Map 1. The area is delineated by 4" PVC posts and signs. The locations of the posts are as follows:

1. 34° 47.4900' N 76° 29.6500' W
2. 34° 47.5010' N 76° 29.6550' W
3. 34° 47.4920' N 76° 29.6870' W
4. 34° 47.4810' N 76° 29.6820' W


B. **North River Spat on Shell Enhancement Site:** A 1-acre site as shown on Map 2. The area is delineated by 4" PVC posts and signs. The locations of the posts are as follows:

1. 34° 46.7720' N 76° 36.5000' W
2. 34° 46.7730' N 76° 36.4660' W
3. 34° 46.7300' N 76° 36.4950' W
4. 34° 46.7300' N 76° 36.4640' W

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of N.C.G.S. 113-170.4; 113-170.5; 113-182; 113-204; 113-221.1; 143B-289.52 and N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03H .0103 and 03K .0103.
- B. It is unlawful to violate provisions of any proclamation issued by the Fisheries Director under his delegated authority pursuant to N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03H .0103.
- C. The intent of this proclamation is to protect Shellfish Management Areas created through the Spat on Shell Demonstration Project to construct harvestable oyster reefs using seeded

- shell. The project is being led by Farm Bureau and N.C. Sea Grant. The sites will remain closed until the oysters are large and abundant enough for harvest.
- D. The N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries will mark the areas with 4" PVC post markers with signs indicating "Shellfish Management Area No Harvest" insofar as may be practicable. No unauthorized removal or relocation of any such post marker shall have the effect of changing, nor shall any such post marker affect the applicability of any proclamation or portion thereof. Where there is conflict between post markers and maps, maps shall prevail.
 - E. In accordance with N.C.G.S. 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.
 - F. Contact N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries, P.O. Box 769, Morehead City, NC 28557; 252-726-7021 or 800-682-2632 for more information or visit the division website at www.ncmarinefisheries.net.
 - G. **This proclamation sets boundaries for two enhanced oyster reefs and designates them as Shellfish Management Areas. The areas within these boundaries are closed to the taking of shellfish and to the use of trawl net, long haul seine, or swipe net gears.**

By: 
Stephen W. Murphey, Director
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES

August 31, 2020
11:00 A.M.