## ORDER OF THE STATE HEALTH OFFICER

# STATE OF ALABAMA )

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY )

I, Scott Harris, M.D., M.P.H., as State Health Officer, acting under the authority of Code of Alabama 1975, §9-12-126, and pursuant to the rules of the State Board of Health for Shellfish Sanitation adopted August 27, 2012, found in Alabama Administrative Code, Chapter 420-3-18 hereby order that the following designated areas of Mobile Bay are to be opened or closed to the taking of oysters as indicated herein. All areas designated as unclassified are closed to the harvesting of oysters.

## AREA I

That portion of Mobile Bay and tributaries lying south of a line extending in an eastward direction from the south shore of East Fowl River at the mouth to East Fowl River Channel Marker 2, then in an eastward direction to Marker 51 at the Mobile Ship Channel, then in a northeastward direction to Daphne.

The eastern boundary of Area I extends from the westernmost tip of Fort Morgan Peninsula to Mullet Point.

The western boundary of Area I extends from Barron Point westward to the southern tip of Isle Aux Herbes (Coffee Island), then westward to Marker 17 at Bayou La Batre Ship Channel, then due south to Dauphin Island. Area I is designated "Conditionally Restricted."

# **AREA II**

That portion of Portersville Bay north of a line extending from Barron Point westward to the southern most tip of Isle Aux Herbes (Coffee Island), then westward to Marker 17 at the Bayou La Batre Ship Channel, then northward to Marker 22 at the Bayou La Batre Ship Channel, then due west to a point which intersects with the line of longitude 088° 18.300' W, and east of a line that runs due north until it intersects the shore at 30°22.273'N 88°18.300"W. Area II is designated "Conditionally Restricted."

#### AREA III

All of Bon Secour Bay, to include all waters east of a line extending from the westernmost tip of Fort Morgan Peninsula to Mullet Point. Area III is designated "Conditionally Restricted."

### **AREA IV**

That portion of Mobile Bay and tributaries lying north of a line extending in an eastward direction from a designated point on the beach at the southeast corner of the air strip at the Brookley Air Field to Mobile Ship Channel Marker 73, then in a southerly direction parallel to the west boundary of the Mobile Ship Channel to Marker 51, then in a northeastward direction to Daphne. Area IV is designated "Prohibited."

## AREA V

That portion of Mobile Bay and tributaries beginning at the south shore of the mouth of the Theodore Industrial Canal, then running southeasterly in a line following the southern edge of the Theodore Ship Channel to the Mobile Ship Channel Marker 53/1A, then in a northerly direction to Mobile Ship Channel Marker 73, then in a southwesterly direction to a designated point on the beach at the southeast corner of the air strip at the Brookley Air Field. Area V is designated "Restricted."

## **AREA VI**

That portion of Mobile Bay and tributaries beginning at the south shore of the mouth of East Fowl River, then running east to East Fowl River Channel Marker 2, then in a northeasterly direction to Mobile Ship Channel Marker 51, then in a northerly direction parallel with the west boundary of the Mobile Ship Channel to Mobile Channel/Theodore Ship Channel Marker 53/1A, then northwesterly along the southern edge of the Theodore Ship Channel to the south shore of the mouth of the Theodore Industrial Canal. Area VI is designated "Conditionally Restricted."

### **AREA VII**

That portion of Grand Bay west of a line that starts on the southeastern shore of Point aux Pins at 30°22.273'N 88°18.300'W (30°22'16.38"N, 88°18'18.00"W) and runs due south to a point located at 30°21.707'N 88°18.300'W (30°21'42.42"N 88°18'18.00"W), then runs due west to the Alabama – Mississippi state line located at 30°21.707'N 88°23.675'W (30°21'42.42"N 88°23'40.50"W). Area VII is designated "Conditionally Restricted."

The above described areas shall have the described classifications for the taking of oysters for human consumption on and after 3:00 p.m., the **4th day of September 2018**, and all "conditionally approved" areas shall be opened for harvest by regulations of the Alabama Department of Public Health and on such days and during such hours as set by the laws and regulations of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division.

Maps showing the areas are on file with the State Health Department, Montgomery, Alabama; the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Montgomery, Alabama; Baldwin County Health Department, Bay Minette, Alabama; and the Mobile County Health Department, Mobile, Alabama.

Done on this, the 4th day of September, 2018.

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State Health Officer