

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Phil Bryant Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Jamie M. Miller, Executive Director

LEGAL NOTICE

Order of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources Closing Areas II "E" and II "F" Conditionally Approved Waters To the Harvest of Oysters

In accordance with The Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources Title 22, Part 1 and the "Order by the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources Opening the 2015 - 2016 Mississippi Oyster Season in Certain Areas, and Placing Certain Restrictions on Oyster Harvesting and Handling Activities," the Shellfish Bureau Director of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources hereby orders that the following areas will close to the harvest of oysters at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 30, 2016 due to water sample results exceeding the management plan criteria:

Conditionally Approved Area II "E" - This area includes Square Handkerchief reef and southern portions of Henderson Point Reef.

Conditionally Approved Area II "F" - This area includes southern portions of the Pass Christian Reef.

All other current rules and regulations will remain in effect.

Signed this the 30th day of March, 2016

Scott Gordon, Shellfish Bureau Director

Mississippi Department of Marine Resources