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Several oyster reefs closed due to rainfall

BILOXI, Miss. – Officials with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources said several oyster reefs will close at 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, due to excessive rainfall.

The following reefs will close:

Area I “B” Conditionally Approved Waters – This area includes St. Joseph’s (St. Joe’s) Reef.

Area II “A” Conditionally Approved Waters – This area includes northern portions of the Pass Christian and Henderson Point reefs and Hornets Reef.

Area II “F” Conditionally Approved Waters – This area includes southern portions of the Pass Christian Reef.

All other current rules and regulations remain in effect. For more information, call the MDMR Oyster Hotline at 228-374-5167 or 1-800-385-5902.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.ms.gov.

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