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Shrimping season to remain open until May 6

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is extending shrimping season until 6 a.m. Sunday, May 6.

This applies to Mississippi territorial waters south of the Intracoastal Waterway and west of the Gulfport Ship Channel. Waters north of the ICW remain closed. Waters east of the Gulfport Ship Channel and south of the ICW are open to shrimping year-round.

MDMR conducts routine shrimp sampling, and if there is an indication that large numbers of juvenile brown shrimp have moved into this area, shrimp season may be closed earlier than 6 a.m. on May 6.

For more information, call the toll-free Shrimp Information Hotline at 1-866-WE-TRAWL (938-7295).

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 dmr.ms.gov.

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