

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Tate Reeves Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Joe Spraggins, Executive Director

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDER CLOSING THE 2023-2024 SHRIMP SEASON NORTH OF THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY IN MISSISSIPPI TERRITORIAL WATERS

By virtue of the authority vested in the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) under the provisions of §49-15-15 (1) (a) Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated, the MDMR does hereby declare and order that:

All waters north of the Intracoastal Waterway in Mississippi territorial waters are hereby declared closed at 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2024 for shrimping as provided by law and the regulations of the MDMR.

All other Mississippi territorial waters remain open to shrimping as provided by law and the regulations of the MDMR.

All rules set forth in regulations of the MDMR are to be in full force and effect and all boats engaged in catching or transporting shrimp in or from the waters of the State of Mississippi must be licensed by the MDMR before beginning operations.

This order will take effect and be in force from and after 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2024. For further information contact the MDMR at 228-374-5000, the Mississippi Shrimp Information Hotline at 866-938-7295, or visit the website at www.dmr.ms.gov.

So ordered this the 15^{th} Day of December 2023.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES, JOE SPRAGGINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Traci Floyd, Director

Office of Marine Fisheries