



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Joe Spraggins, Executive Director

LEGAL NOTICE

**Order of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources
Closing Area I "B", Area II "B", Area II "E", and Area V "A" Conditionally Approved
Waters
To the Harvest of Oysters**

In accordance with the Mississippi Administrative Code Title 22, Part 1 and the "Order by the Director of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources Opening the 2026 - 2027 Mississippi Public Oyster Season for the harvest of oysters in certain waters classified as approved and conditionally approved, and placing certain restrictions on oyster harvesting and handling activities," the MDMR hereby orders that the following areas will close to the harvest of oysters effective immediately on Sunday, October 4, 2026 due to the rainfall exceeding the management plan criteria:

Conditionally Approved Area I "B" – including St. Josephs or St. Joe Reef

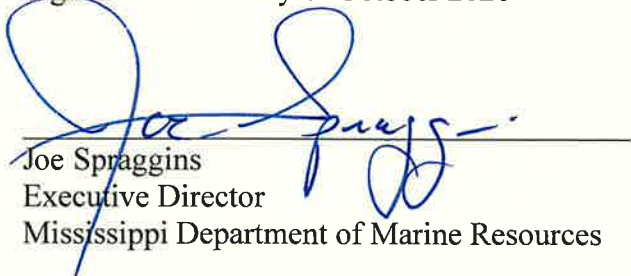
Conditionally Approved Area II "B" – including the Waveland and St. Stanislaus Reefs

Conditionally Approved Area II "E" – including Henderson Point Reef

Conditionally Approved Area V "A" – including Biloxi Bay Reef

All other current rules and regulations will remain in effect.

Signed on the 4th day of October 2026


Joe Spraggins
Executive Director
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