



The Shrimp e-Advocate

The Southern Shrimp Alliance (SSA) is a non-profit alliance of members of the U.S. shrimp industry in eight states committed to preventing the continued deterioration of America's shrimp industry and to ensuring the industry's future viability. SSA serves as the national voice for the shrimp fishermen and processors in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas.

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NEWS FROM THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

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LDWF Amends Fishing Closure in Southern Portion of Breton-Chandeleur Sounds and Adjacent State Outside Waters East of the Mississippi River

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Secretary Robert Barham announced the following opening to recreational and commercial fishing in portions of state inside and outside waters east of the Mississippi River effective immediately today June 9. A precautionary closure of this area was issued April 30. To date, no oil has been documented in this area.

Inshore Openings

The open waters of Breton and Chandeleur Sounds as described by the double-rig line in LA R.S.56:495.1 south of 29 degrees 37 minutes 54 seconds north latitude near Curlew Island will open effective immediately today June 9, 2010. The area south and east of Baptiste Collette Bayou

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will remain closed.

Territorial Sea Openings

The state's territorial seas east of the Mississippi River south of 29 degrees 37 minutes 54 seconds north latitude near Curlew Island and north of 29 degrees 21 minutes 32.7 seconds north latitude near Baptiste Collette Bayou will open effective immediately today June 9, 2010. .

Precautionary closures of recreational and commercial fishing have been implemented based on the best information the Secretary of the Department receives from field biologists, staff and trajectory models from NOAA.

Once reports of oil are received, LDWF initiates a field survey and immediate seafood testing in the suspected areas. Closures are subsequently made with the intent to be as safe as possible, while not closing any fishing areas unnecessarily. As test results come back clearing the area, effected waters are then reopened.

LDWF continues to work closely with DHH in an effort to assess all opportunities to resume normal fishing activities on Louisiana's coast and guarantee the safety of Louisiana's seafood.

All other closures remain in place.

To view maps of the amended closures, follow the below links:

<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/pdfs/news/DETAIL-SHEET-1.jpg>

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