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MARINE RESOURCES DIVISION

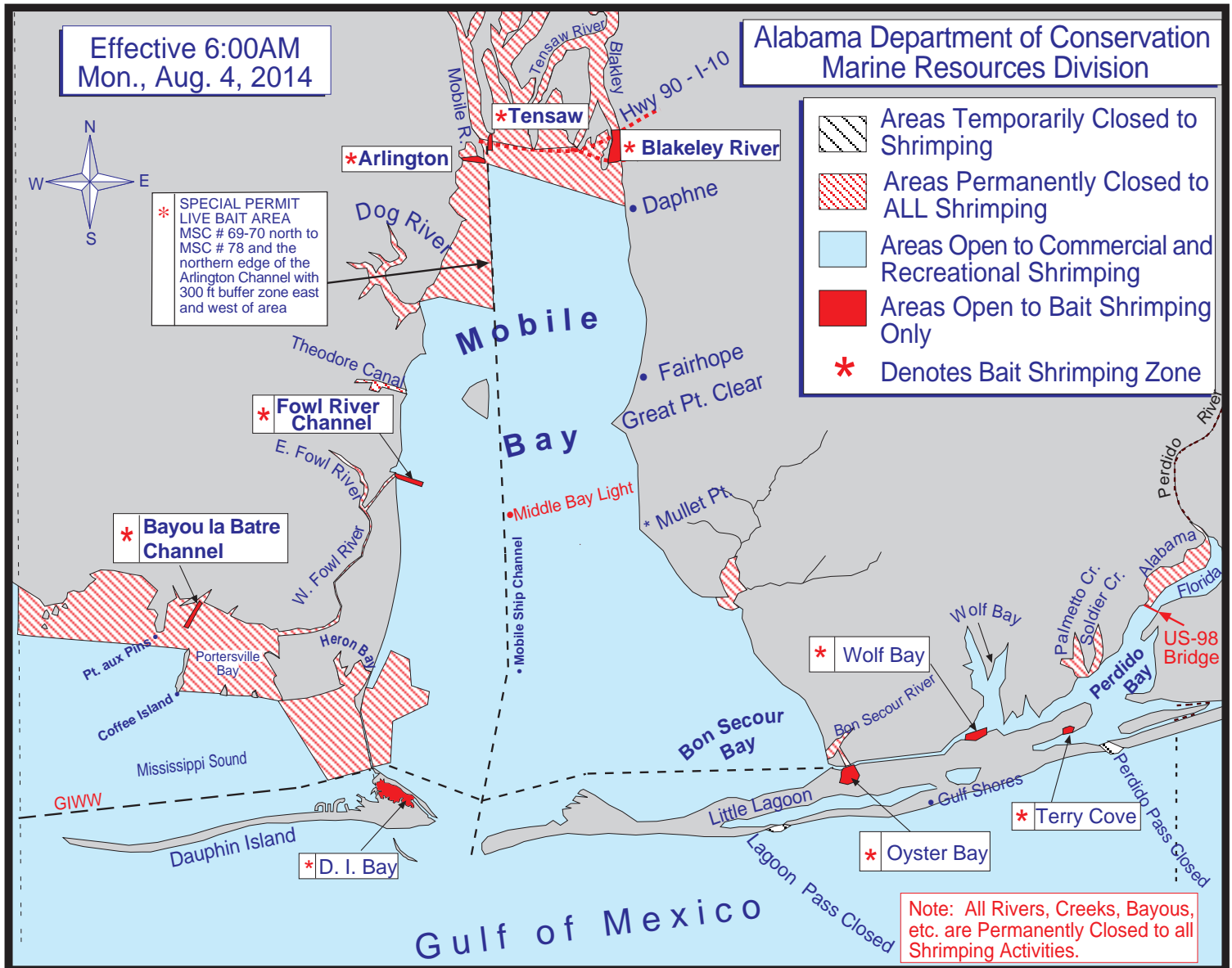
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## Waters Opening to Commercial and Recreational Shrimping Effective 6AM, Monday, August 4, 2014

The map below depicts Alabama's waters opening to commercial and recreational shrimping. Please review the map and info for specifics. If you need more info or clarification, call one of our offices.





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## FOR IMMEDIATE NEWS RELEASE

July 25, 2014

Pursuant to Section 9-12-46, Code of Alabama as stated by Rule 220-3-.01 the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Marine Resources Division announces that as of 6:00 am, **Monday, August 4, 2014** the following waters not permanently closed by law or regulation will **open** to shrimping:

• **All waters in Mobile Bay and Bon Secour Bay not permanently closed by law or regulation.**

The following waters, previously opened, will remain opened:

• **All waters in Mississippi Sound not permanently closed by law or regulation.**

• **All waters in Little Lagoon not permanently closed by law or regulation.**

• **All waters east of the charted position of GIWW Marker #103, including all waters of Wolf Bay, Perdido Bay, Arnica Bay, Bay La Launch, and Bayou St. John not permanently closed by law or regulation.**

Licensed live bait dealers holding a permit for Special Live Bait Areas are reminded that an area beside the Battleship south of the Tensaw River Bridge, north of a line from the north point of Pinto Pass (N30 40.755 - W88 01.124) to the northwest edge of Goat Island (N30 40.124 - W88 00.784); and west of a line from the northwest edge of Goat Island (N30 40.124 - W88 00.784) to the eastern end of Tensaw River Bridge (N30 40.955 - W88 00.444) will be open from one hour before sunrise until sunset from August 4, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Fishermen should be aware that state biologists will continue to sample in the areas to be opened. This opening is in response to routine shrimp sampling that indicated the average size were larger than 68 head-on shrimp per pound within designated waters. Should sampling indicate a change in the average size of 68 head-on shrimp per pound, additional announcements will be provided to modify the original announcement.



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