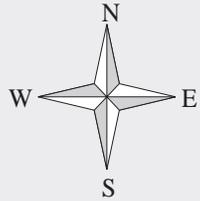


## **Summary of 2010 Alabama State Water Precautionary and Shrimping Closures**

- May 20 – Closed all inside waters to shrimping. This closure is a seasonal closure due to shrimp size. Closure was not related to oil spill.
- June 1 – Closed Alabama waters in Gulf of Mexico south of Dauphin Island from Mobile Pass west to Mississippi State line for all commercial and recreational fishing.
- June 4 – Closed Alabama waters in Gulf of Mexico south of Baldwin County from Mobile Pass east to Florida State line and an area north of Fort Morgan south of a line extending east from Mobile Ship Channel Marker 22 to Little Point Clear for all commercial and recreational fishing.
- June 10 – Closed Alabama waters of Mississippi Sound from the Dauphin Island Bridge west to the Mississippi State line for all commercial and recreational fishing.
- June 24 – All Alabama waters closed as precautionary measures reopened to recreational catch and release only.
- July 23 – Opened shrimping in all Alabama waters not closed for precautionary measures.
- August 8 – All areas not permanently closed in Mississippi Sound reopened to commercial and recreational harvest of finfish and shrimp only.
- August 10 – Private oyster reefs in Mississippi Sound reopened by Alabama Department of Public Health. Public oyster reefs remained closed by ADCNR/MRD for rehabilitation purposes.
- August 16 – Reopened all Alabama Gulf of Mexico waters out to three miles to commercial and recreational harvest of finfish only. Area north of Fort Morgan Peninsula reopened to commercial and recreational harvest of finfish and shrimp only.
- August 21 – Reopened waters previously closed for precautionary measures to commercial and recreational harvest of crabs. These areas included all Alabama Gulf of Mexico waters out to three miles, Pelican Bay, Mississippi Sound and the waters of Mobile Bay that are just north of the Fort Morgan Peninsula. Gulf waters remained closed to shrimping.
- September 6 – Reopened Alabama Gulf of Mexico waters out to three miles to the commercial and recreational harvest of shrimp. All waters previously closed due for precautionary methods now reopened for all valid fisheries. Public oyster reefs remained closed for rehabilitation purposes.

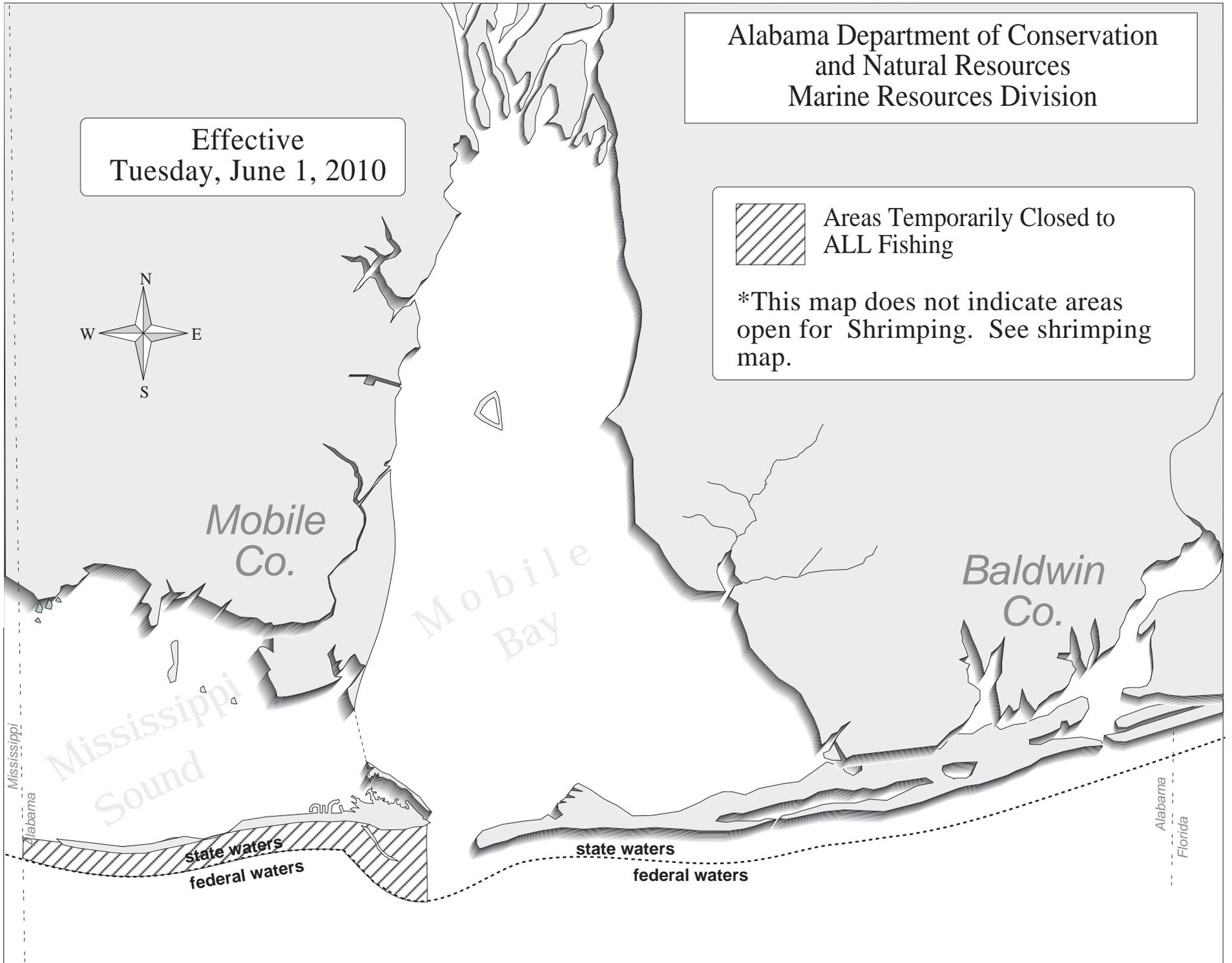
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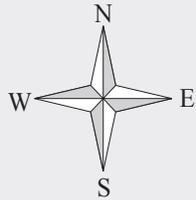
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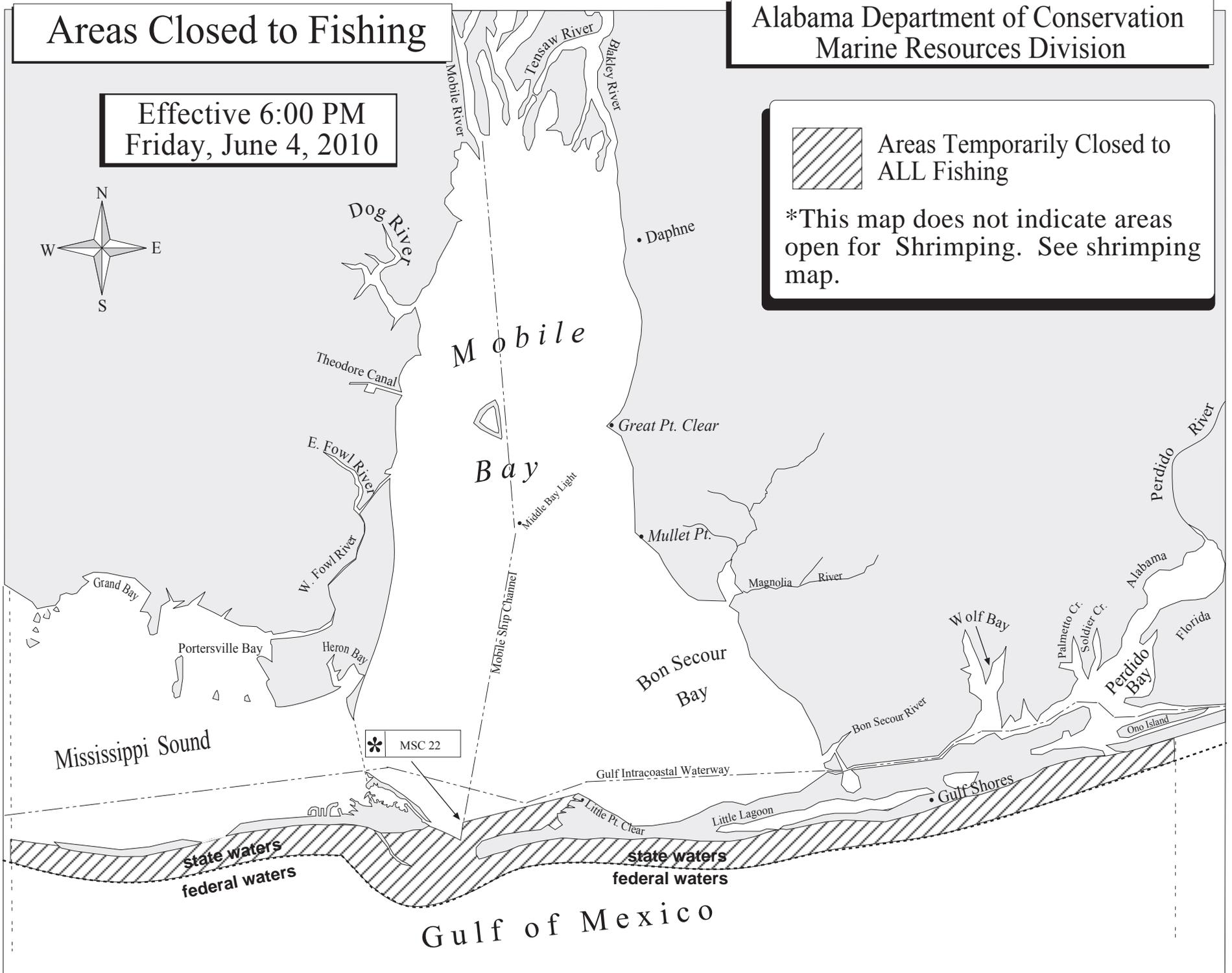
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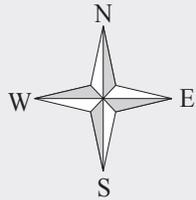
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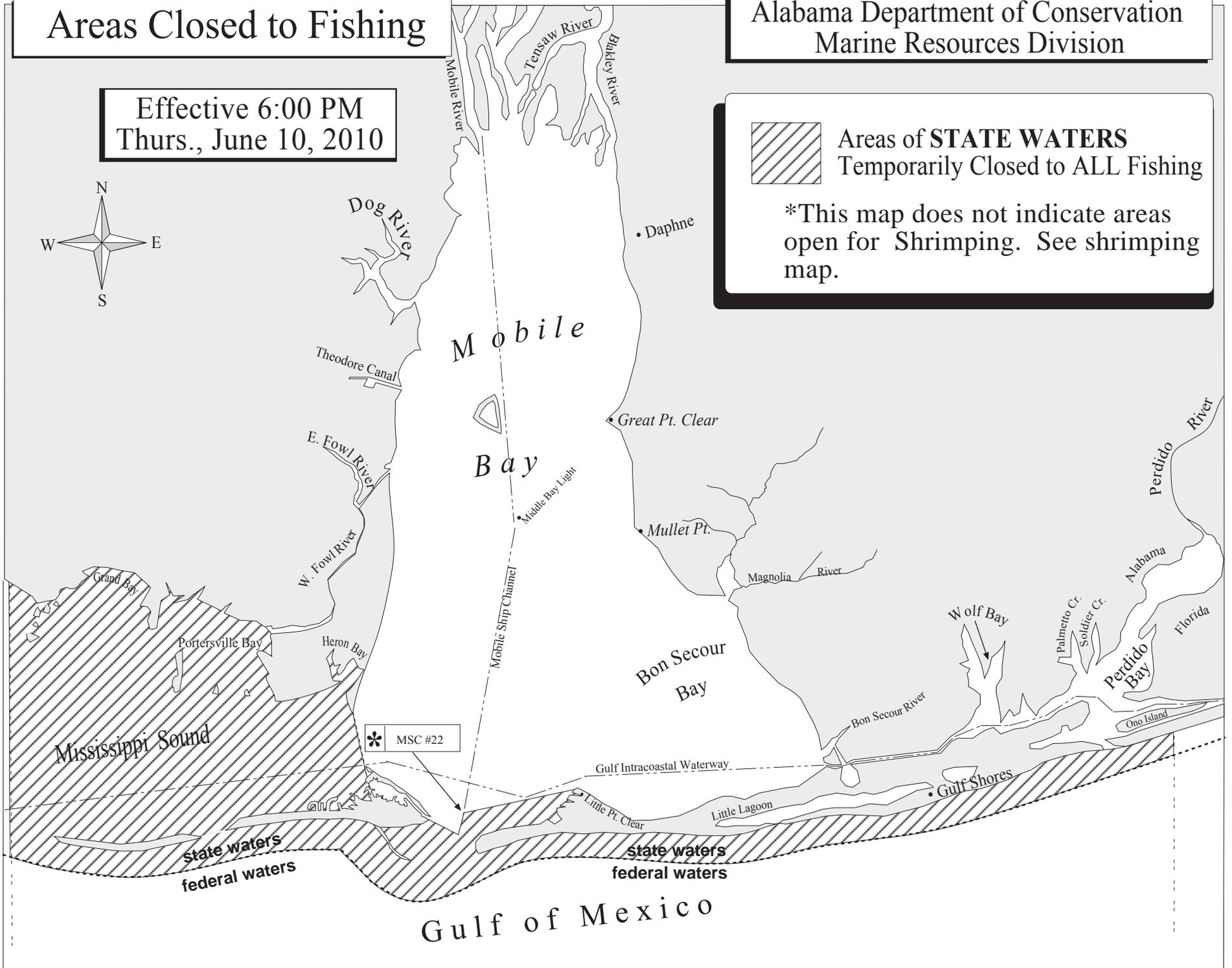
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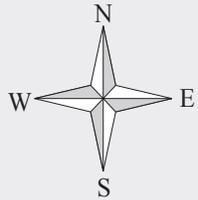
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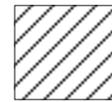


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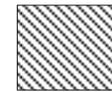
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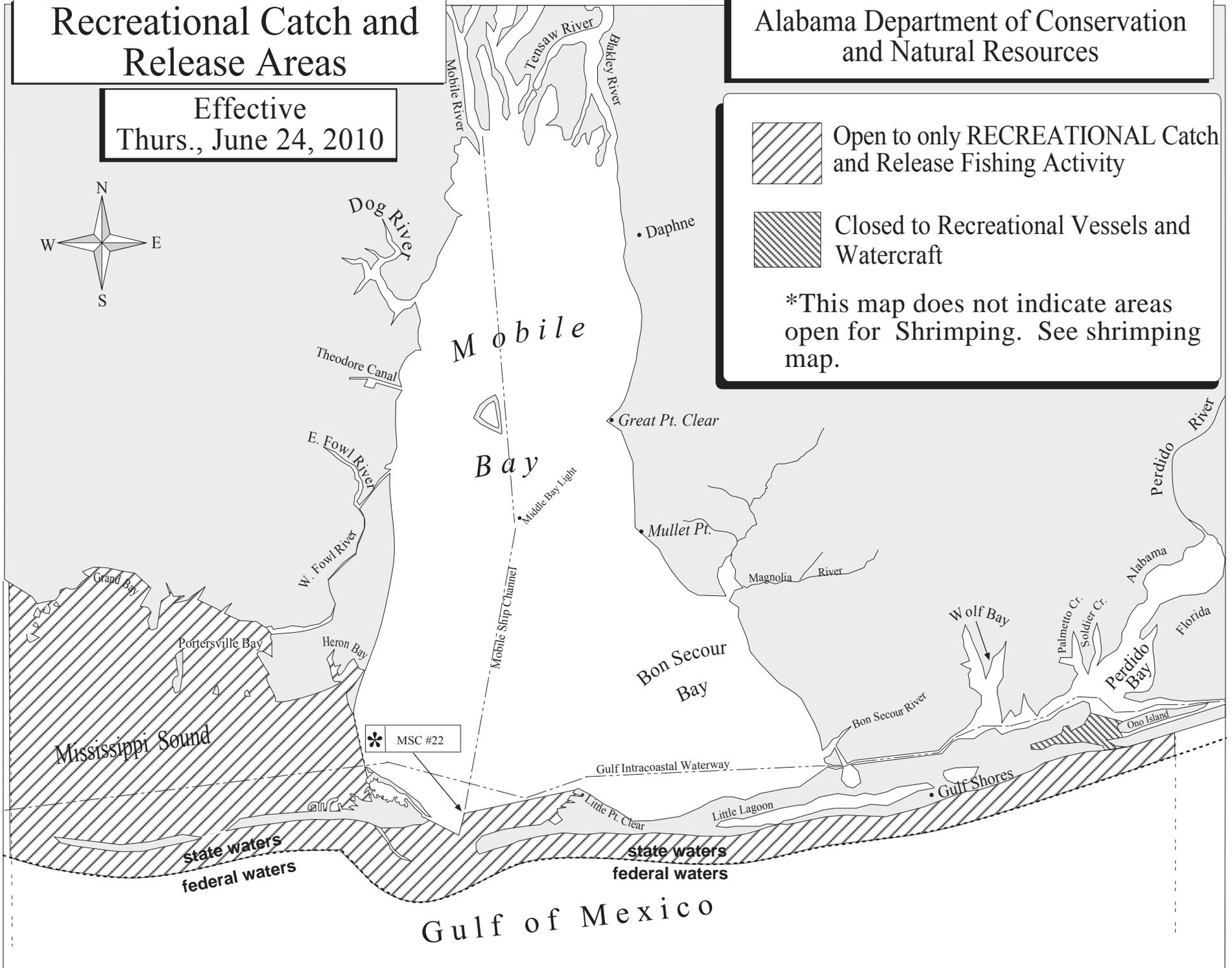


Open to only RECREATIONAL Catch and Release Fishing Activity



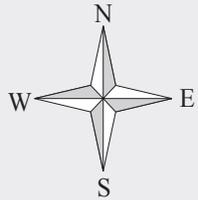
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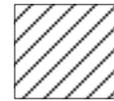


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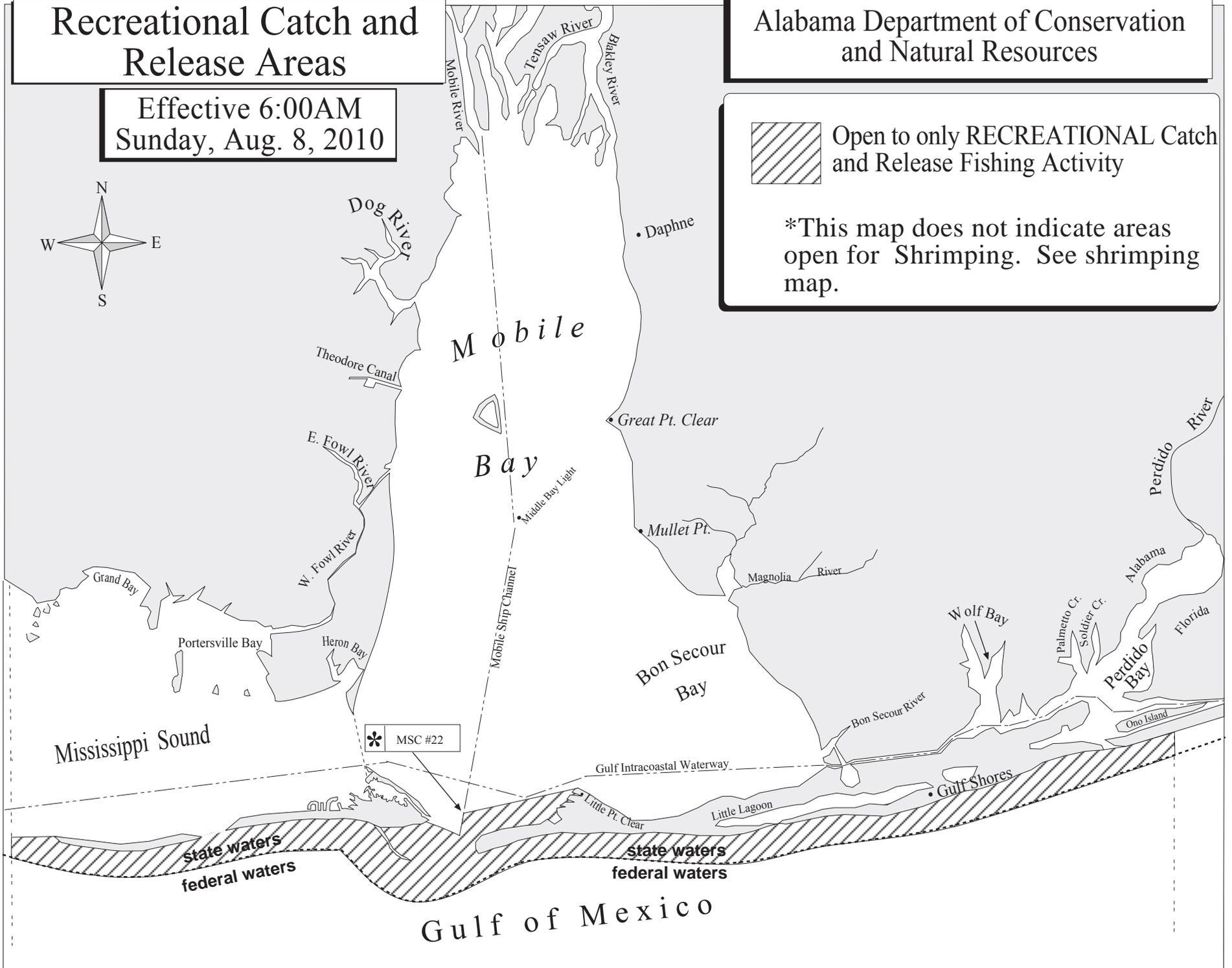


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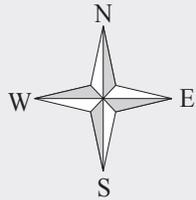
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# Open State Waters

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Monday, Aug. 16, 2010



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 STATE WATERS OPEN TO THE  
TAKING OF FISH

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