

15A NCAC 03R .0115 ANADROMOUS FISH SPAWNING AREAS

The anadromous fish spawning areas as defined in 15A NCAC 03I .0101 and referenced in 15A NCAC 03N .0106 are delineated in the following Internal Coastal Waters:

- (1) Currituck Sound Area:
 - (a) Northwest River - all waters of the Northwest River and its tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 30.8374' N - 76° 04.8770' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 30.7061' N - 76° 04.8916' W.
 - (b) Tull Bay/Tull Creek - all waters of Tull Bay and its tributaries northeast of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 30.0991' N - 76° 04.8587' W; running southeasterly to the south shore to a point 36° 29.9599' N - 76° 04.7126' W; and south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 30.9867' N - 76° 02.5868' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 31.0045' N - 76° 02.3780' W; and west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 30.8291' N - 76° 02.1329' W; running southwesterly to the south shore to a point 36° 30.1512' N - 76° 02.4982' W.
- (2) Albemarle Sound Area:
 - (a) Big Flatty Creek - all waters of Big Flatty Creek and its tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 09.3267' N - 76° 08.2562' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 08.9730' N - 76° 08.3175' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 07.9621' N - 76° 07.1818' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 08.2706' N - 76° 06.2525' W.
 - (b) Batchelor Bay - west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 35° 58.2070' N - 76° 42.7267' W; running southeasterly to the south shore to a point 35° 56.5622' N - 76° 41.5506' W.
 - (c) Bull Bay - southwest of a line beginning on the northwest shore at a point 35° 58.9002' N - 76° 23.9965' W; running southeasterly to the southeast shore at a point 35° 56.7198' N - 76° 18.8964' W.
- (3) North River - all waters of the North River and its tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 18.7703' N - 75° 58.7384' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 18.4130' N - 75° 58.7228' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 16.9952' N - 75° 57.0758' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 16.9801' N - 75° 56.6820' W.
- (4) Pasquotank River - all waters of the Pasquotank River and its tributaries south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 18.0768' N - 76° 13.0979' W; running easterly to the east shore along the south side of the Highway 158 Bridge to a point 36° 18.0594' N - 76° 12.9620' W; and northwest of a line beginning on the northeast shore at a point 36° 14.3294' N - 76° 04.7866' W; running southwesterly to the southwest shore to a point 36° 12.8147' N - 76° 07.0465' W.
- (5) Pasquotank River Area:
 - (a) Charles Creek - north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 17.8090' N - 76° 13.0732' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 17.8024' N - 76° 13.0407' W.
 - (b) New Begun Creek - east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 13.3298' N - 76° 08.2878' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 13.0286' N - 76° 08.1820' W.
- (6) Little River - all waters of the Little River and its tributaries southeast of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 12.5237' N - 76° 16.9418' W; running southeasterly to the east shore to a point 36° 12.2950' N - 76° 17.1405' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 09.6537' N - 76° 15.0689' W; running northeast to the east shore to a point 36° 10.2112' N - 76° 14.0287' W.
- (7) Perquimans River - all waters of the Perquimans River and its tributaries northeast of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 11.6569' N - 76° 28.0055' W; running southeasterly to the east shore to a point 36° 11.6123' N - 76° 27.9382' W; and northwest of a line beginning on the southwest shore at a point 36° 11.1512' N - 76° 27.4424' W; running northeasterly to the northeast shore to a point 36° 11.5124' N - 76° 26.7298' W.
- (8) Perquimans River Area:
 - (a) Walter's Creek - northeast of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 11.1305' N - 76° 27.9185' W; running southeasterly to the south shore to a point 36° 11.0224' N - 76° 27.6626' W.

- (b) Mill Creek - south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 11.9766' N - 76° 27.2511' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 11.9757' N - 76° 27.5752' W.
- (9) Yeopim River - all waters of the Yeopim River and its tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 05.4526' N - 76° 27.7651' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point on Norcum Point 36° 05.1029' N - 76° 27.7120' W; and west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 04.7426' N - 76° 24.2537' W; running southwesterly to the south shore to a point 36° 04.1137' N - 76° 24.5366' W.
- (10) Yeopim River Area, Yeopim Creek - south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 04.7206' N - 76° 24.8396' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 04.7426' N - 76° 24.2536' W.
- (11) Edenton Bay - all waters of Edenton Bay and its tributaries west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 03.3757' N - 76° 36.3629' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 03.3551' N - 76° 36.3574' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 02.1767' N - 76° 38.4058' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 02.0299' N - 76° 36.0445' W; and east of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 03.2819' N - 76° 37.0138' W; running northeasterly to the east shore to a point 36° 03.4185' N - 76° 36.6783' W.
- (12) Chowan River - all waters of the Chowan River and tributaries northwest of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 02.3162' N - 76° 42.4896' W; running northeasterly to the east shore to a point 36° 03.1013' N - 76° 40.8732' W; and south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 32.6293' N - 76° 55.3564' W; and running to the east shore to a point 36° 32.6284' N - 76° 55.1757' W.
- (13) Chowan River Area, Meherrin River - all waters of the Meherrin River and tributaries west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 36° 25.9937' N - 76° 56.8884' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 36° 25.7926' N - 76° 56.8966' W; and south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 32.7867' N - 77° 09.8885' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 36° 32.7807' N - 77° 09.8565' W.
- (14) Cashie River - all waters of the Cashie River and tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 35° 54.7865' N - 76° 49.0521' W; running southerly to the south shore at a point 35° 54.6691' N - 76° 49.0553' W; west of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 56.2934' N - 76° 44.1769' W; running easterly to the north shore to a point on the north shore of an island in the mouth of the river 35° 56.2250' N - 76° 43.9265' W; west of a line beginning on the south shore at a point of an island in the mouth of the river 35° 56.1254' N - 76° 43.9846' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 35° 56.0650' N - 76° 43.9599' W.
- (15) Middle River - all waters of the Middle River southwest of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 55.4000' N - 76° 43.8259' W; running southeasterly to the east shore to a point 35° 55.3977' N - 76° 43.6797' W.
- (16) Eastmost River - all waters of the Eastmost River and its tributaries south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 56.5024' N - 76° 42.4877' W; running westerly to the east shore to a point 35° 56.4070' N - 76° 42.7647' W.
- (17) Roanoke River - all waters of the Roanoke River and tributaries south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 56.5068' N - 76° 41.8858' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 56.5324' N - 76° 41.5896' W; and southeast of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 36° 12.5264' N - 77° 23.0223' W; running northeasterly to the east shore along the south side of the Highway 258 Bridge to a point 36° 12.5674' N - 77° 22.9724' W.
- (18) Roanoke River Area:
- (a) Warren Neck Creek - all waters of Warren Neck Creek and its tributaries west of a line beginning on the northwest shore at a point 35° 52.1820' N - 76° 47.4855' W; running southerly to the southeast shore to a point 35° 52.1448' N - 76° 47.4237' W.
- (b) Thoroughfare - all waters of the Thoroughfare south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 54.0510' N - 76° 48.1206' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 54.0684' N - 76° 48.0613' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 53.2842' N - 76° 48.8650' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 55.2800' N - 76° 48.8077' W.
- (c) Devils Gut - all waters of Devils Gut and its tributaries northwest of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 49.5300' N - 76° 54.2209' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 49.5486' N - 76° 54.1703' W.

- (d) Conine Creek - all waters of Conine Creek and its tributaries west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 35° 52.9752' N - 76° 58.0474' W; running southwesterly to the south shore to a point 35° 52.9776' N - 76° 57.9958' W.
- (19) Scuppernong River - all waters of the Scuppernong River and tributaries southeast of a line beginning on the northeast shore at a point 35° 56.7196' N - 76° 18.8964' W; running southwesterly to the southwest shore to a point 35° 56.3351' N - 76° 19.6609' W; and north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 54.0158' N - 76° 15.4605' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 54.0406' N - 76° 15.3007' W.
- (20) Alligator River - all waters of the Alligator River and tributaries east of a line beginning on the north shore at Cherry Ridge Landing at a point 35° 42.2172' N - 76° 08.4686' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 35° 42.1327' N - 76° 08.5002' W; and south of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 57.4252' N - 76° 00.8704' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 57.5494' N - 75° 56.8268' W.
- (21) Alligator River Area, the Frying Pan - all waters of the Frying Pan and its tributaries west of a line beginning on the north shore at a point 35° 46.0777' N - 76° 03.3439' W; running southerly to the south shore to a point 35° 45.6011' N - 76° 03.3692' W.
- (22) Neuse River - all waters of the Neuse River and its tributaries northwest of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 08.8723' N - 77° 04.6700' W; running northeasterly to the east shore to a point 35° 09.1032' N - 77° 04.3355' W; and southeast of a line at Pitch Kettle Creek beginning on the north shore at a point 35° 16.9793' N - 77° 15.5529' W; running south to the south shore to a point 35° 16.9237' N - 77° 15.5461' W.
- (23) Neuse River Area:
- (a) Smith Creek - north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 02.2439' N - 76° 42.3035' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 02.2392' N - 76° 42.1910' W.
- (b) Kershaw Creek - north of a line beginning on the west shore at a point 35° 02.4197' N - 76° 43.7886' W; running easterly to the east shore to a point 35° 02.4218' N - 76° 43.7367' W.
- (24) White Oak River - all waters north of a line beginning at a point on the west shore 34° 46.0728' N - 77° 08.9657' W; running easterly to a point on the east shore 34° 46.1431' N - 77° 08.8907' W; running north to the Coastal - Inland Fishing Waters boundary line beginning at a point on the west shore 34° 48.1466' N - 77° 11.4711' W; running northeasterly to a point on the east shore 34° 48.1620' N - 77° 11.4244' W.
- (25) Cape Fear River - all waters north of a line beginning at a point on the west shore 34° 07.7034' N - 77° 57.3431' W; running easterly to a point on the east shore 34° 08.0518' N - 77° 55.7626' W; running north to the Joint - Inland Fishing Waters boundary on the following rivers:
- (a) Cape Fear River - at a line beginning at a point on the west shore 34° 24.2628' N - 78° 17.6390' W; running northeasterly along the Lock and Dam No. 1 to a point on the east shore 34° 24.2958' N - 78° 17.5634' W.
- (b) Black River - at a line beginning at a point on the north shore 34° 22.0783' N - 78° 04.4123' W; running southeasterly to a point on the south shore 34° 21.9950' N - 78° 04.2864' W.
- (c) Northeast Cape Fear River - at a line beginning at a point on the west side 34° 26.5658' N - 77° 50.0871' W; running northeasterly along the southern side of the Highway 210 Bridge to a point on the east side 34° 26.6065' N - 77° 49.9955' W.

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