Extension of the Biscayne Bay Food Shrimp Production Season Established in Rule 68B-31.0135(1), F.A.C.

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, and acting through its Executive Director under Delegations of Authority Paragraph 17 and Paragraph 22, and Executive Order of the Governor Number 10-99 as amended on May 20, 2010, hereby extends the ending date for the season for commercial harvest of food shrimp in the Southeast Region in Dade County from May 31, 2010 to June 30, 2010. This action is taken in order to relieve economic hardships on the commercial fishing industry that may occur due to the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill. This action is authorized only as follows:

1. Extension of the open season for food shrimp production in the Southeast Region in Dade County is limited to the term of this order.
2. During the extended open season, food shrimp production in this region remains prohibited from 6:00 a.m. on Saturday through 6:00 a.m. on Sunday pursuant to Rule 68B-31.0135(2), F.A.C.
3. This order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. EDT, May 31, 2010 and shall expire at 12:01 a.m. EDT, July 1, 2010.

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission on this ______ day of May______.

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Nick Wiley
Executive Director