

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Order No. EO 10-32

**Additional Oyster Harvest Days and Areas for
Apalachicola Bay**

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, Executive Order of the Governor Number 10-99, as amended, hereby opens the harvest for oysters in Apalachicola Bay, Franklin County, Florida seven days per week and hereby opens the winter harvesting areas, so long as Apalachicola Bay is not closed for public health purposes. This action is taken in order to relieve economic hardships on the commercial fishing industry that may occur in the area due to the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill. This action is authorized only as follows:

1. Notwithstanding the prohibition for harvesting on Fridays and Saturdays June through August in rule 68B-27.017, Florida Administrative Code, harvest for oysters in Apalachicola Bay is hereby opened seven days per week.
2. Harvest for oysters in areas approved in rule 5L-1.003(1), Florida Administrative Code for winter harvesting in Apalachicola Bay, are hereby opened for harvest notwithstanding anything to the contrary in rule 68B-27.019, Florida Administrative Code.
3. All other provisions governing harvest of oysters in Apalachicola Bay remain in effect.
4. This order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. EDT, June 18, 2010, shall expire August 31, 2010, and shall be limited to when Apalachicola Bay is not closed for public health purposes.

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

Law Implemented: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution and Executive Order of the Governor Number 10-99, dated April, 30, 2010 and 120.81(5), Florida Statutes

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. EDT, June 18, 2010

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
on this 17th day of June 2010.

Nick Wiley
Executive Director

Attest: _____
Agency Clerk