Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Marine Resources Division

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RULE NO. & TITLE: (1) 220-3-.01 Shrimping; (2) 220-3-.02 Oystering; (3) 220-3-.03 Use of Nets and Harvest of Mullet; (4) 220-3-.31 Crabs; (5) 220-3-.53 Open Season/Area for the Taking of Live Saltwater Bait – Point Clear Area.

INTENDED ACTION: Amendments for each rule.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: (1) 220-3-.01 -To further provide for shrimping; to further provide for the taking of shrimp for recreational purposes; to provide certain location information; to further define certain shrimp nursery areas; and to further provide for the use of certain trawls or seines; (2) 220-3-.02 - To further provide for oystering; to prohibit certain taking or possession of oysters; to require certain presentation of oysters to the declared shop; and to further provide for oyster harvest areas; (3) 220-3-.03 - To further provide for the use of certain nets; to further provide for use of certain mesh size; and to provide for certain location information; (4) 220-3-.31 - To further provide for the taking of crabs; to further provide for crab traps; and to further specify areas where it is unlawful to place crab traps; (5) 220-3-.53 - To further provide for and specify an area for the taking of live saltwater bait.

<u>TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:</u> Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Director of the Marine Resources Division at any time during the period stated below, or orally if requested in advance by personally appearing at Room 469, Folsom Administrative Building, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday June 5, 2012.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Tuesday, June 5, 2012.

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