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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES

TO: All Interested Persons and Parties

FROM: Spud Woodward

SUBJECT: Notice of Rule Making for Saltwater and Freshwater Fishing Regulations

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to authority set forth below, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes an amendment to the Rules of Georgia Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division, Chapter 391-2-4, Saltwater Fishing Regulations and Wildlife Resources Division, Chapter 391-4-3, Fishing Regulations. This is a notice of proposed amendments to the rules to reflect the deliberations of the Coastal Committee of the Board of Natural Resources at its August 30, 2017 meeting.

These amendments are being promulgated under the authority of Title 27, Sections 27-1-4, 27-2-23, 27-4-10 and 27-4-12 of the Official Code of Georgia, Annotated. The proposed amendments will create commercial fishing species endorsements, modify the definition of a seafood dealer, and create a definition for landing. The proposal will also revise reporting requirements for commercial fishers and seafood dealers and address two housekeeping items.

A public hearing on the proposed amendments will be held in Brunswick, Georgia on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 6:00 PM at the Coastal Regional Headquarters of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Written public comment will be received through Monday October 2, 2017. Comments should be legible, concise and limited to the proposed rule change. Following the comment period, the Board of Natural Resources will consider the proposed rule on October 25, 2017 at 9:00 AM at its Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, SE, Suite 1252, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mail or email comments to: Doug Haymans, Coastal Resources Division, One Conservation Way, Brunswick, GA 31520. doug.haymans@dnr.ga.gov

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