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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES
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Concise Explanatory Statement

Agency: Department of Environmental Management

Division: Marine Fisheries

Regulation title and identifier:

1. *Part XVII – Maps* (current ERLID 9862)

Rulemaking action: Direct Final Rule

Type of Filing: Proposed repeal

Timetable for action on the proposed rule:

- Date of public notice: August 10, 2018
- Date of hearing: N/A (no hearing planned)
- End of comment period: September 10, 2018

Reason for rulemaking: Proposed repeal of regulation *Part XVII – Maps* as the only remaining un-codified regulation with the Division, in conjunction with proposed adoption of new re-codified regulation *Part 9 - Maps*. All maps other than the maps of the floating fish traps are proposed to be deleted, as some degree of inaccuracy exists with each of these maps as shown, and all maps are verbally described elsewhere in Marine Fisheries regulations, and are therefore duplicative. Upon conclusion of a review and amendment as needed of the verbal descriptions of the floating fish trap locations as provided in *Part 6 – General Equipment Provisions*, this regulation is expected to be fully repealed as duplicative.

Testimony and Comments: No testimony or comments were received.

Change to text of the rule: No changes were made.

Regulatory analysis: No regulatory analysis required. There is no change in the regulations resulting from this adoption and repeal.