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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

October 8, 2020

This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 15, Harraseeket River and vicinity (Freeport): This notice updates line language and adjusts boundary lines to reflect changes in navigational aids and buoys in the Harraseeket River. An interactive map that allows the user to zoom in to specific areas can be found on the ME DMR website: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/maps/index.html>. All existing pollution and red tide/psp closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels, or whole or roe-on scallops taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:
1. Harraseeket River: south of a line beginning at the north end of Nappi's Cove, then running due east to the south tip of Bartol Island, then running southeast to a red painted post located on the shore, approximately 375 yards north of Winer's Cove; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore, approximately 66 yards north of the end of Brigantine Cove Lane on the west shore of the Harraseeket River, then running southeast to a red painted post located on the opposite shore, approximately 150 yards north of the southern most boundary of Wolfe's Neck State Park.
 2. Little River: north of the Burnett Road bridge.
 3. Upper Harraseeket East of Bartol Island: north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore on the eastern side of Kelsey Brook then running in a westerly direction to a red painted post located on the shore approximately 275 yards south of the mouth of Mill Brook.
 4. Upper Harraseeket North of Cove Road: north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Cove Road, then running in an an easterly direction to a red painted post located on the opposite shore.
 5. Upper Harraseeket South of Cove Road: west of a line beginning at the southern tip of Cove Road, then running in a southwesterly direction to a red painted post located on the opposite shore on a prominent tip of land.

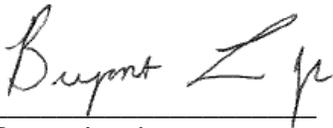
6. Bustins Island: east of a line beginning at the ferry terminal at the southwest point of Bustins Island running northeast to the point of land at the end of Merganser Way (Freeport); AND west of a line beginning at the northern point of Bustins Island running northwest to the point of land at the end of Merganser Way (Freeport).
- B. Effective immediately, because of proximity to a WWTP and intermittent pollution due to rainfall, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) following a malfunction/CSO event at the Freeport Wastewater Treatment Plant or when rainfall meets or exceeds 1" within a 24 hour period. For current status, please refer to the Statewide Conditional Area Closure Notice on the DMR website: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>
1. Harraseeket River: north of a line beginning at the north end of Nappi's Cove, then running due east to the south tip of Bartol Island, then running southeast to a red painted post, located on the shore approximately 375 yards north of Winer's Cove AND south of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore on the eastern side of Kelsey Brook then running in a westerly direction to a red painted post located on the shore approximately 275 yards south of the mouth of Mill Brook AND south of a line beginning at the southern tip of Cove Road, then running in a easterly direction to a red painted post located on the opposite shore AND south and east of a line beginning at the southern tip of Cove Road, then running in a southwesterly direction to a red painted post located on the opposite shore on a prominent tip of land
- C. Effective immediately, because of proximity to a WWTP and intermittent seasonal pollution due to the presence of a marina, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) following a malfunction/CSO event at the Freeport Wastewater Treatment Plant or during the closed dates. For current status, please refer to the Statewide Conditional Area Closure Notice on the DMR website: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>
1. Central Harraseeket River: southeast of a line beginning at a red painted post located at the end of the rock wall on the end of Riverview Street, then running in a northeasterly direction approximately 723 yards to ~~the center of the channel a DMR mooring buoy~~; AND west of a line running in a southwesterly direction from the ~~center of the channel DMR mooring buoy~~, approximately 1372 yards to a Coast Guard maintained green can "9" channel marker just to the east of a rock pile, then to a red painted post located on the shore on the westernmost tip of Moore Point; AND north and east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 88 yards southwest from the southwestern most corner of the Harraseeket Yacht Club, then running south-southeast to a red painted post located on the shore at the north tip of Stockbridge Point, then running northeast to the northern end of Pumpkin Knob and then to a red painted post located on the shore on the westernmost tip of Moore Point (closed May 1 through November 30).
- D. Effective immediately, because of proximity to a WWTP, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) following a malfunction at the Freeport Wastewater Treatment Plant. For current status, please refer to the Statewide Conditional Area Closure Notice on the DMR website: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public_health/closures/closedarea.htm **for open/closed status.**
1. West shore of the Harraseeket River: south of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore, approximately 66 yards north of the end of Brigantine Cove Lane on the west shore of

the Harraseeket River, then running southeast approximately 723 yards to the center of the channel ~~a MDMR mooring buoy~~; AND north of a line running in southwesterly direction from the center of the channel ~~MDMR mooring buoy~~ approximately 890 yards to a red painted post located at the end of the rock wall on the end of Riverview Street.

2. South shore of the Harraseeket River: west of a line beginning at red painted post located approximately 88 yards southwest of the southwestern most corner of the Harraseeket Yacht Club, then running south-southeast to the north tip of Stockbridge Point.
3. East shore of the Harraseeket River: east of a line running in a southwesterly direction from the center of the channel ~~a MDMR mooring buoy, approximately 1372 yards to a Coast Guard maintained green can "9" channel marker just to the east of a rock pile~~, then to a red painted post located on the shore on the westernmost tip of Moore Point AND south of a line running southeast from the center of the channel ~~a MDMR mooring buoy~~ to a red painted post located approximately 150 yards north of the southern most boundary of Wolfe's Neck State Park.

If you have questions, please contact Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9500 Email: DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov. During **weekends/holidays**, contact on duty Marine Patrol Officers through the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,



Bryant Lewis
Western Maine Growing Area Supervisor
Commissioner's Designee

6:45 PM
(Effective Time)

October 8, 2020

Maine Department of Marine Resources

Pollution Area No. 15

Harraseket River and vicinity (Freeport)

