Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

April 18, 2019

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 17-C, Bailey Island, Orrs Island, and Sebascodegan Island (Harpswell): This notice reclassifies Beals Cove from Approved to Conditionally Approved due to water quality no longer meeting approved standards. The area will be closed from July 1 through September 30. All existing pollution and biotoxin 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 or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

1. Lumbos Hole, Orrs Island (Harpswell): northeast of a line beginning at a red painted post at the northeastern most point of land at the mouth of Long Cove, Harpswell running southeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore; AND southeast of a line beginning at a red painted post located at the northeastern most point of land at the mouth of Long Cove running northeast to the southern tip of Dogs Head Island continuing to the northern tip of land at the end of Reach Rd, Harpswell; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post on the southern tip of land at the end of Totman Point Rd running west to the opposite shore.

2. Card Cove and Sebascodegan Point (Harpswell): west of a line beginning at the southern tip of Pinkham Point running southwest within 500 feet from shore around the southern tip of Sebascodegan Point and continuing northeast to a red painted post located approximately 90 yards west from the end of Sanctuary Road; AND south of a line beginning at a red painted post, located on the shore at the intersection of Rt 24 and Long Point Rd running east to a red painted post on the shore at the end of Elton Farm Rd.

3. Bailey Island and Orrs Island (Harpswell), south of a line beginning on the west shore of Gun Point Cove at Rick Eliot’s dock, just south of a small unnamed cove, running southeast to a red painted post located approximately 90 yards west from the end of Sanctuary Road; AND west of a line running southwest around Orrs and the southern tip of Bailey Island within 150 yards from shore to a red painted post on the shore, approximately 162 yards west of the intersection of Rt 24 and Johnson Pt Road.

B. Effective immediately, because of intermittent seasonal pollution, the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:
1. Reed and Beals Cove (Harpswell): east of a line beginning at a red painted post on the shore approximately 162 yards west of the intersection of Rt 24 and Johnson Pt Road running northwest to navigational buoy C"15" at Merriman Ledges, then running northeast to south and east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore at the northern most point of land on the southwest shore of Reed Cove, then running northeast to a red painted post located on the shore where Wilson Lane comes closest to the shore. This area is closed from July 1 through September 30.

2. Long Cove (Harpswell): south of a line beginning at a red painted post on the shore at the northeastern most point of land at the mouth of Long Cove, running southeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore. This area is closed from June 1 through August 31.

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](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

11:20 AM  
(Effective Time)