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## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification- Notification of Changes

April 17, 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. 18, Quahog Bay, Hen Cove, Ridley Cove (Harpswell): This notice reclassifies portions of Ridley Cove from Approved to Conditionally Approved and extends the seasonal closure due to water quality no longer meeting approved standards. This notice also reclassifies Natrimac Point from Restricted to Approved and Upper Card Cove from Conditionally Approved to Approved due to water quality meeting approved standards. 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 from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

1. Western Quahog Bay: south of a line beginning at the south tip of Tondreau Point running northwest to a red painted post on the west shore of Orrs Cove, AND west of a line beginning at the northern tip of Center Island AND north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Center Island and running southwest to a red painted post at the end of Bernier Lane.

~~B. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area without a special MDMR permit; northeast of a line beginning at the southern tip of Natrimac Point running southeast to the southwestern most point of land on the opposite shore.~~

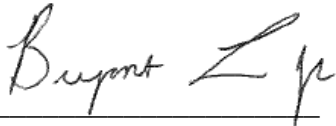
BC. Effective immediately, because of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the following closed periods:

1. Orrs Cove, Harpswell: north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Tondreau Point, then running northwest to a red painted post on the west shore of Orrs Cove will CLOSE May 1 through November 30.
- ~~2. Upper Card Cove, Harpswell: north 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 will CLOSE June 1 through September 30.~~
- 2.3. Hen and Ridley Coves, Harpswell: north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Bethel Point running southeast to a red painted post located at the most northern tip of land east of Big Hen Island northeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore will CLOSE June 1 through October 31.

~~4. Ridley Cove, Harpswell: south of a line formed by the footbridge at the end of Leavitt Island Lane running west to Leavitt Island; AND east of a line beginning at the southern tip of Leavitt Island running southeast to a red painted post located at the most northern tip of land east of Big Hen Island will CLOSE June 1 through September 30.~~

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](mailto: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

12:20 PM \_\_\_\_\_  
(Effective Time)

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Pollution Area No. 18

Quahog Bay, Hen Cove, Ridley Cove (Harpswell)

