Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

April 25, 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 25-C, Western Muscongus Bay (Bristol and Bremen): This notice reclassifies an area on Lounds Island (Loudville) and Marsh Island from Approved to Prohibited due to the identification of pollution point sources and clarifies a line description. 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 or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

1. East of a line beginning at the southernmost tip of Pemaquid Neck, running northeast to green can “11”, then running northwest to a red painted post at the end of Bryant Way, Bremen.

2. South of a line beginning approximately 500 yards south of the southern tip of the large cove on the eastern side of Lounds Island extending 500 feet offshore to the east; AND North of a line beginning approximately 900 yards south of the southern tip of the large cove on the eastern side of Lounds Island extending 500 feet offshore to the east.

3. South of a line beginning approximately 515 yards from the southern tip of Marsh Island on the western side of Marsh Island extending 166 yards to the west; AND North of a line beginning approximately 200 yards from the southern tip of Marsh Island on the western side of Marsh Island extending 166 yards to the west.

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

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(Effective Time)