Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

September 2, 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This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced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 28, Marshall Point to Clark Cove (St. George). This notice administratively reassigns an unnamed cove north of Clark Point to Pollution Area No. 27-A. 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 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 or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

1. Marshall Point (St George): north of a line beginning from the Marshall Point Lighthouse running east to the red nun #2 navigational buoy on Mosquito Ledge; AND west of a line beginning at red nun #2 navigational buoy running northwest to a red painted post located on the shore at the end of Tibbetts Road.

2. Tenants Harbor (St George): southwest of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 33 yards south of Atwood Brothers Lobster running southeast to the southwest tip of Northern Island, then running south to the west tip of Southern Island, then south to the Hart Ledge green can #1 navigational buoy, then southwest to a red painted post located approximately 400 yards north of Mosquito Head.

3. Seavey Cove (St George): west of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 111 yards north of the lobster wharf at the southeast end of the former Great Eastern Mussel property running southeast to a red painted post located on the shore at the north tip of States Point.

4. Clark Cove (St George): north of a line beginning at the northeast tip of Clark Island, running northeast to the southeastern tip of Clark Point, formed by a man-made granite wall located at the end of Marina Road.

5. Long Cove (St George): east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the northwest tip of Clark Island running north to a red painted post located on the shore of the unnamed point of land at the end of Caven Lane.
6. Mosquito Harbor (St George): west of a line drawn southwest from a red painted post at the end of an old stone pier located on the eastern shore of Mosquito Harbor in an unnamed cove approximately 150 yards from Rt. 131 to the end of a pier at the end of Birch Lane.

B. Effective immediately, because of non-point source pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, or mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from shores, flats, and waters of the following Restricted areas without a special MDMR permit:

1. South of Mosquito Harbor, unnamed Cove (St George): northwest of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 100 yards southeast from the end of People Road running northeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore.

2. Unnamed cove north of Clark Point (St George): west of a line beginning at the southeastern tip of Clark Point formed by a man-made granite wall located at the end of Marina Road running north to the opposite shore.

3. Unnamed cove on the northwest side of Mosquito Head (St. George): northeast of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the western most point of Mosquito head running northwest to the opposite shore.

C. Effective immediately, because of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, or mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates: Long Cove (St George), north and east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 111 yards north of the lobster wharf at the southeast end of the former Great Eastern Mussel property running southeast to a red painted post located on the shore at the north tip of States Point; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the northeast tip of States Point, running northeast to a red painted post located on the shore of the northwest tip of Clark Island; AND east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the northwest tip of Clark Island running north to a red painted post located on the shore of the unnamed point of land at the end of Caven Lane. This area is closed 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. 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

2:30 PM
(Effective Time)
Maine Department of Marine Resources
Pollution Area No. 28
Marshall Point to Clark Cove, St George

Legend
- Prohibited
- Restricted
- Conditionally Approved
  - Green Can
  - Red Nun
  - Red Painted Post

C. This area is CLOSED June 1 to August 31.