Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes
August 21, 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This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced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 change to Area No. 500, Maine Coast Flood Closure: This notice repeals the Maine Coast Flood Closure due to water quality returning to 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):

Effective immediately, because of pollution from heavy rainfall, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels, whole or roe on scallops from the shores, flats and waters;

New Meadows/Harpswell area: North of the Mountain Road bridge (Harpswell); AND north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Little Island (Harpswell) running southeast to the shore at the end of Henry Loop (Phippsburg); AND south of State Road (Brunswick/W. Bath).

Kennebec/Sheepscot Rivers: South of the Rt. 1 bridge (Bath/Woolwich); AND north of a line beginning at the point of land at the end of Atkins Bay Dr. (Phippsburg) running southeast to the end of Bay Pt. Rd. (Georgetown); AND south of the Rt 144 bridge (Wiscasset/Westport); AND south of a line beginning at Shore Road (Edgecomb) running west to the opposite shore; AND west of the Rt 27 bridge (W. Boothbay Harbor/Southport); AND north of a line beginning at Dry Pt. (Georgetown) running northeast to Hendricks Head Light (Southport).

Damariscotta River: South of a line beginning at the end of Glidden Ledge Rd (Walpole) running west to the opposite shore; AND north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Reeds Is (E. Boothbay Harbor) running northeast to the shore at the end of Rt. 129 (S. Bristol).

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.main.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,

David W. Miller
Eastern Maine Growing, Commissioner’s Designee

3:00 PM
(Effective Time)