Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

March 20, 2020

Ladies and Gentlemen:
Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 52-G, Joy Bay, (Gouldsboro and Steuben): This notice reclassifies Parrit Cove (Steuben) from Restricted to Approved due to water quality meeting approved standards. 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 area(s):

1. Steuben Harbor: north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Baker Point then running east to the northern tip of Val Point.

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(s) without a special MDMR permit:

1. Joy Bay (Steuben): east of a line beginning at a red painted post on the western tip of the unnamed point on the southern shore of Parrit Cove, then running northwest to the western tip of Parrit Point.

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,

[Signature]

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

3:00 PM
(Effective Time)