Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

November 22, 2019

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following change to the Pollution Abatement Closure Notice; this notice removes the closures in areas 28-A (B.4), 42-B (B.1) and 26 (B.6) due to reclassifications of the areas or an extended period elapsing without effective pollution mitigation. This notice also adds a pollution abatement closure for 39-C (B.1) due to the town submitting a pollution abatement closure request that identifies the potential source(s) of pollution impacting the water quality as well as town funds and resources to remediate the problem(s). The status of all pollution abatement closures will be reassessed no less than annually from the original date of closure. All existing pollution and biotoxin closures remain in effect.

The descriptions of the areas are as follows (struck text is removed and underlined text is being added):

**Pollution Abatement Closures:**

- **Area 39-C (B.1):** Herrick Bay (Brooklin) [EFFECTIVE DATE NOVEMBER 22, 2019]
- **Area 28-A:** Sharkeyville Creek, South Thomaston (B.4) [EFFECTIVE DATE JULY 21, 2017; RENEWED JULY 30, 2018]
- **Area 42-B:** Swan’s Island; Toothacher Cove (B.1) [EFFECTIVE DATE AUGUST 3, 2016; RENEWED AUGUST 8, 2017; RENEWED JULY 30, 2018]
- **Area 26:** Greenland Cove, Bremen (B.6) [EFFECTIVE DATE JULY 6, 2016; RENEWED JULY 6, 2017; RENEWED JUNE 20, 2018]

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 Lincolnton/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](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,

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Commissioner’s Designee – Director, Bureau of Public Health

4:00 PM  
(Effective Time)