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## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification – Notification of Changes

March 1, 2021

**This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced.**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 changes to Pollution Areas 1 and 2-A, Piscataqua River (South Berwick) to Sisters Point (Kittery). This notice renames Pollution Areas 1 and 2-A to Growing Area WA. 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):

Prohibited: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

- P1. Piscataqua River and its tributaries (Kittery, Eliot, South Berwick): west and north of a line beginning at the easternmost point of Swards Cove running southwest approximately 2500 yards to Kitts Rocks Lighted Whistle Buoy "2KR" then southwest approximately 1000 yards to the ME/NH state line; AND south of a line across the mouth of Spinney Creek at the Rt. 103 causeway.
- P2. Isles of Shoals (Maine): within 500 feet of the Isles of Shoals islands within Maine jurisdiction.

Restricted: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area without a special MDMR permit:

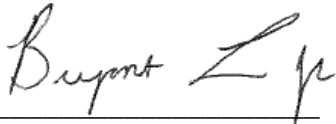
- R1. Spinney Creek (Kittery, Eliot): north of a line across the mouth of Spinney Creek (Eliot) at the Rt. 103 causeway.

Approved: All other shores, flats and waters not described in the above sections are Approved and it is lawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) when in the open status. For current status, please refer to the Biotxin and Emergency Closure Notices on the DMR website: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/index.html>

A. Growing Area WA.

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](mailto: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/shellfishsanitation-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

9:00 AM  
(Effective Time)