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**Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification – Notification of Changes**

June 3, 2025

**This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced.**

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following changes to Growing Area WT, Martin Point (Friendship) to Pleasant Point (Cushing). This notice reclassifies a portion of Meduncook River from Approved to Restricted due to water quality no longer meeting the approved standard. 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/fisheries/shellfish/shellfish-closures-and-aquaculture-leases-map>. 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. Autios Cove Back River (Friendship): North of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 160 yards southwest of the end of Pine Cove Lane running northwest to a red painted post on the opposite shore.
- P2. Friendship Harbor, Hatchet Cove and Martin Point (Friendship): east of a line running south from the center of the marine railway on the southwestern side of Martin Point to the northern tip of Gull Rock; AND north of a line running northeast from the northern tip of Gull Rock to the point of land at the end of Bradford Point Road; AND south of a line running southeast from the tip of Jesse's Point to a red painted post on the prominent point on the opposite shore; AND south of a line running south from a red painted post located on the shore of the prominent point of land on the western shore of Hatchet Cove to the northern tip of Little Sand Island, then continuing southeast to the southern tip of Sand Island and continuing along the southern shore of Sand Island, then continuing northeast from the southeastern tip of Sand Island to a red painted post located on the shore of a small unnamed point of land, west of Cove Way Lane.
- P3. Crotch Island (Cushing): northeast of a line beginning at the most southwestern point of land on Crotch Island running southeast to the southwestern most point of land on Davis Point; AND west of a line beginning at the most southwest point of land on David Point running northwest to the southeastern point on Crotch Island.
- P4. Friendship Long Island (Friendship): South of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the western most point of the small unnamed island west of Little Morse Island running northwest to a red painted post located on Friendship Long Island approximately 400 yards southwest of the eastern most point on Friendship Long Island; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the western most point of the small unnamed island west of Little Morse Island, running

southwest to a red painted post located on the southernmost tip of an unnamed point on the Friendship Long Island shore.

- P5. Cranberry Island (Friendship): South of a line beginning at the most northwestern point on Cranberry Island, running southeast to the most northeastern point on Cranberry Island.
- P6. Monhegan Island (Monhegan): inside of a line beginning at Lobster Point on the southern end of Monhegan and running northwesterly to the most southern end of Manana Island, then running northerly to the western end of Western Duck Rock, then running northeasterly to the most northwestern end of Eastern Duck Rock, then running southeasterly to Green Point at the northeastern tip of Monhegan Island, then following the low water line along the eastern shore of Monhegan and ending at Lobster Point on the southern end of the island.

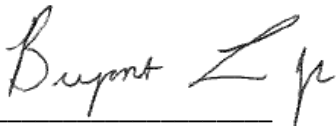
Restricted: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area without a special MDMR permit:

- R1. Meduncook River (Friendship and Cushing): north of Salt Pond Rd.
- R2. Lower Meduncook River (Cushing): east of a line beginning at the point of land at the end of Gun Creek Ln. running south-southeast to the western tip of the unnamed point forming the southern mouth of Gun Creek.
- R3. Friendship Harbor (Friendship): East of a line beginning on the northern tip of Garrison Island running northeast to the point of land at the end of Bradford Point Road; AND northwest of a line beginning at a red painted post on the eastern point of Garrison Island running northeast to a red painted post near the pier at the end of Seaside Farm Drive.

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 Biotoxin and Emergency Closure Notices on the DMR website: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/fisheries/shellfish/closures>

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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: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/fisheries/shellfish/closures>. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).



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Commissioner's Designee

3:30 PM  
(Effective Time)