

Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Ordinance (FBRSO)

The participating municipalities of the FBRSO have specified the following areas of the intertidal zone to be limited for mussel harvesting by drag, in accordance with 12 M.R.S.A. §6671: Jordan River, Lamoine and Trenton and Raccoon Cove, Lamoine.

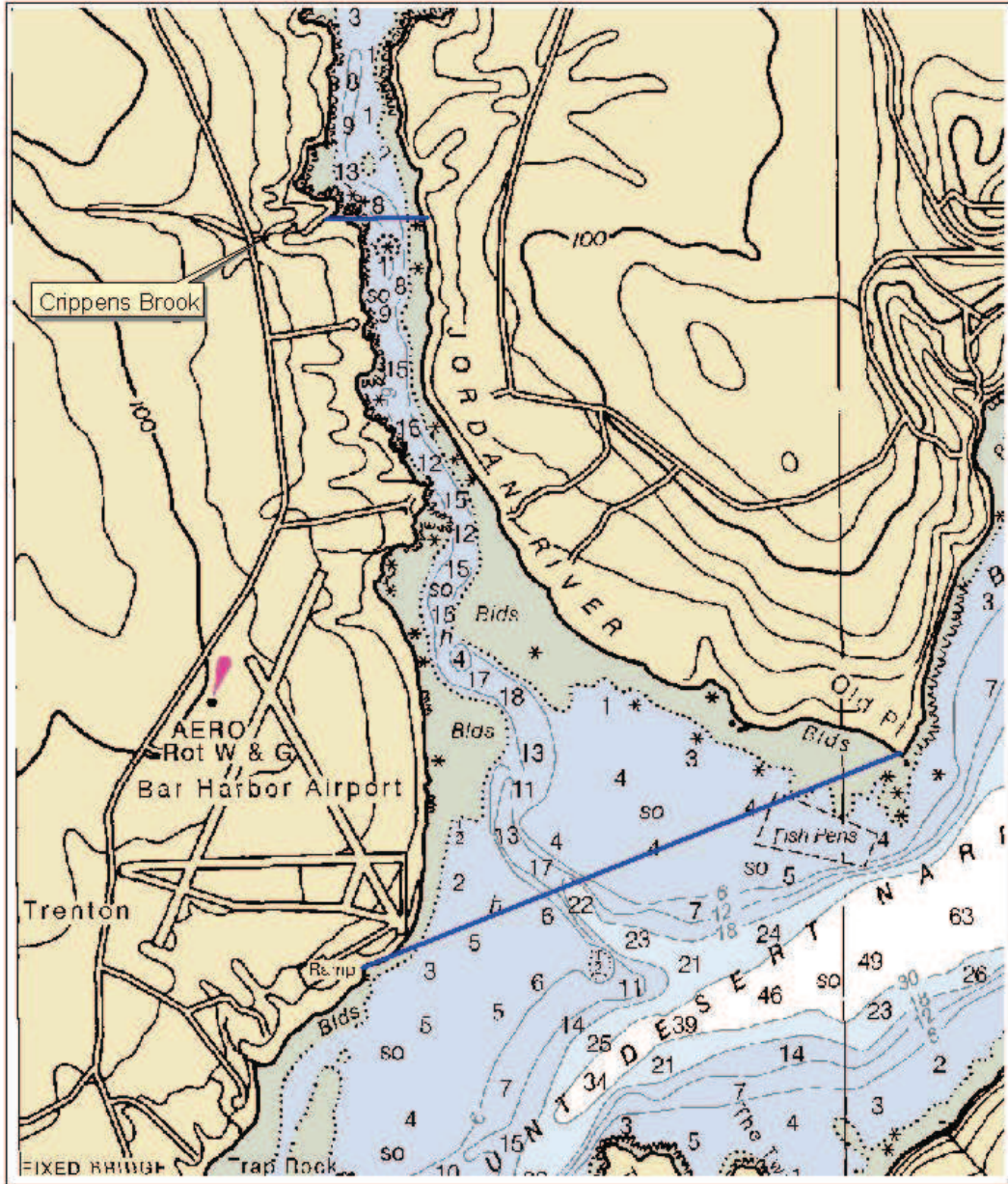
Both the Jordan River and Raccoon Cove are two major historic and current shellfish producing areas within the jurisdiction of the FBRSO. Since start up in 2010, the FBRSO has been working on their management plan that currently includes a conservation closure rotation for both areas as well as stock assessments thru clam population surveys. It is the hope of the FBRSO that these measures will assist in building an effective and sustainable clam management program.

Both of these areas are also utilized by other commercial industries which at times have created a conflict between users and the access/use of the intertidal resources. The FBRSO is charged with the responsibility to actively and vigorously pursue a management program. Toward that end the FBRSO is submitting the following plan for the Commissioners approval. An approved plan will become part of and enhance the efforts of the FBRSO shellfish conservation program.

1. Jordan River, Trenton and Lamoine: Inside and south of a line beginning at the mouth of Crippens Brook, Trenton then due east to the Lamoine shore of the Jordan River; AND north of a line beginning at an orange painted post located on the north side of the Trenton Sea Plane ramp, then east to the south tip of Old Point, Lamoine.
2. Raccoon Cove, Lamoine: Inside and west of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the north tip of an un-named point at the end of the Meadow Point Road, then northeast to the south tip of Old Point.

Enforcement: The FBRSO Municipal Shellfish Warden has been equipped with all the necessary tools to enforce this plan. The Shellfish Warden has strong knowledge of the area; there are public access points available and they have obtained permission to enter private access points that will allow for sufficient visual observations to enforce the specified areas.

Jordan River





Raccoon Cove

