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Good morning,

Please be advised that DMR is processing an emergency action that will implement emergency conservation closures in the areas below, effective **Sunday, January 19, 2025**:

- Cobscook Bay along with Whiting & Denny's Bay Limited Access Area
 - NOTE: St. Croix River, from Kendall Head north to Calais will remain open.
- Upper Machias and Little Machias Bays RA
- Upper Western Bay RA

We are wanting to provide early notice to allow additional time for harvesters to make safe travel plans, as needed. A follow-up notice will be issued on Friday with the complete details of the emergency rulemaking package, along with updates to the scallop boundaries map.

Please do not reply to this email; the mail box is not monitored. For more information, I can be reached at Melissa. Smith@maine.gov or 207-441-5040. Thank you!

Fair winds to you and yours.

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