

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Change April 2, 2024 This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced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 change to Area No. 500, Emergency Closure: This notice reopens the Maine coast from the Maine/N.H. border to Cape Elizabeth, from Friendship to Steuben and from Jonesport to the U.S./Canadian border due to water quality returning to approved standards. 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): because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels, whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters;

East of the Maine/N.H. border; AND west of a line beginning at Two Lights State Park (Cape Elizabeth) running southeast to the limit of Maine territorial waters.

East of a line beginning at Martin Point (Friendship) running south to the limit of Maine territorial waters; ANDwest of a line beginning at Petit Manan Point (Steuben) running south to the limit of Mane territorial waters.

East of the Beals Island bridge (Jonesport/Beals); AND east of a line beginning at Seaduck Point (Beals) running south to the limit of Maine territorial waters; AND west of the U.S./Canadian border.

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

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8:00 AM (Effective Time)

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