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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification – Notification of Changes

June 17, 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This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced.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 Growing Area EN, Cape Split (Addison) to Kelley Point (Jonesport). This notice changes a portion of the area around Hixey Head (Beals) from Prohibited to Approved due to remediation of a pollution point source. 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. Indian River (Addison, Jonesport): north of a line beginning at the south tip of Sugar Point (Addison) running east across the river to the western tip of Noyes Point (Jonesport)
- P2. Moosabec Reach (Jonesport): north of a line beginning at the west end of Henry Point, running southwest to Coast Guard Daymark 18; then running southwest to Coast Guard Nun 18A; then running southwest to the eastern tip of Barneys Island (Beals); AND northeast of a line beginning at the eastern tip of Barneys Island then running northwest to Saddlers Point (Jonesport).
- P3. North End of Beals Island (Beals): east of a line beginning at the western tip of Indian Point running north to the eastern tip of Barneys Island; AND south of a line beginning at the eastern tip of Barneys Island running northeast to Coast Guard Nun 18A; AND west of a line beginning at Coast Guard Nun 18A running south to the eastern tip of Perio Point.
- P4. Alley Bay-Pig Island Gut (Beals): ~~north and east of a line starting at the shore at the intersection of Alley Bay Road and the Back Field Road running northwest approximately 200 yards, then running northeast to Hixey Head; AND south~~ south of a line beginning at Hixey Head running northeast to the southernmost point on Sawyer Island, then running southeast to the most northeast tip of Great Wass Island.
- P5. East of the road at the mouth of the Grass Cove (Beals) impoundment.

Conditionally Approved (Seasonal): Effective immediately, because of seasonal 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 Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:

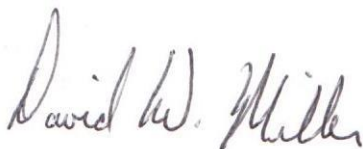
- CA1. Indian River (Addison): north of a line beginning at the end of Rockwell Road NW running west to a red painted post on Crowley Island located approximately 850 yards southeast from the south end of the Crowley Island Bridge; AND north of a line beginning at the prominent point at the end of West River Road (Addison) running east to the northwest tip of Crowley Island (Addison); AND south of a line beginning at the south tip of Sugar Point (Addison) running east to the western tip of Noyes Point (Jonesport) (closed July 1st through October 31st).

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/shellfish-closures-and-aquaculture-leases-map>.

A. Growing Area EN.

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. 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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1:30 PM
(Effective Time)