Notice of Agency Rule-making Proposal

AGENCY: 13-188-Department of Marine Resources

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: Chapter 11 Scallops; 2022-2023 Season

TYPE OF RULE (check one):

⊠ Routine Technical □ Major Substantive

PROPOSED RULE NUMBER (leave blank; to be assigned by Secretary of State):

BRIEF SUMMARY:

This proposed rule-making establishes the 2022-2023 scallop fishing season. Daily possession limits of 15 gallons for Zone 1 and Zone 2, and 10 gallons for Zone 3 remain unchanged. For Zone 1, a 60-day season for draggers would begin on December 12, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 23, 2023. For Zone 1, a 60-day season for divers would start on November 15, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 29, 2023. For Zone 2, a 70-day season for draggers would start on December 1, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 30, 2023. For Zone 2, a 70-day season for draggers would start on November 17, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 22, 2023. For Zone 3, a 50-day season for draggers would begin on December 5, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 28, 2023. For Zone 3, a 50-day season for divers would begin on December 1, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 29, 2023.

Harvesting of scallops by hand (diving) is restricted to Rotation A (First) only for the 2022-2023 season. Harvesting for scallops by dredge gear is restricted to Rotation B (Second) only for the 2022-2023 season. A new limited access area is proposed for East Moosabec Reach in Zone 2 for the 2022-2023 season. The St. Croix River in Zone 3 re-opens to harvest for the 2022-2023 season.

DMR would maintain the following Limited Access Areas: Western Penobscot Bay, Muscle Ridge, Whiting and Denny's Bays. Additionally, the following existing targeted closures based on depletion, high concentrations of seed/sublegal scallops and/or the presence of spat-producing scallops would be maintained: Lower Muscle Ridge, Upper Sheepscot River, New Meadows River, Card Cove and Beals-Jonesport Bridge.

Date, time and location of PUBLIC HEARING (if any): Public hearings are scheduled for 5:00 p.m. at the dates and locations listed below:

- * August 29, 2022: DMR's Augusta Office (Marquardt Building), 32 Blossom LN, Rm. 118; or remotely via Microsoft Teams. Remote access information is posted to DMR's website under meetings.
- * September 1, 2022: University of Maine at Machias, 116 O'Brien AV, Science Building, Rm 102

COMMENT DEADLINE: September 11, 2022

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FINANCIAL IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OR COUNTIES (if any): None

STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THIS RULE: §6171, 6722

SUBSTANTIVE STATE OR FEDERAL LAW BEING IMPLEMENTED (if different): Same

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DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Chapter 11 Scallops

11.08 Targeted Scallop Conservation Closures

Targeted closures are imposed as conservation measures to assist in rebuilding specific areas of the state. Targeted closures may be implemented based on depletion, seed, the presence of spat-producing scallops, and other conservation factors as determined by the Commissioner. Targeted closures are not seasonal closures and are implemented in order to improve and enhance the conservation and rebuilding of the resource in these specific areas.

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following closed areas.

Transiting exception:

Any vessel possessing scallops onboard, may transit these targeted closures only if the vessel has all fishing gear (dredges, drags, regulators, buoyancy compensators, fins, tanks, weight belts) securely stowed. Securely stowed shall mean the main wire shall not be shackled or connected to the dredges or drags, and the towing swivel will be at block or on the winch for draggers, while regulators, buoyancy compensators and tanks should be disconnected with fins and weight belts removed for divers.

1. Lower Muscle Ridge

Northern boundary: East and South of a line beginning at the most eastern tip of Whitehead Island, St. George, to the southern tip of Seal Island (Hay Ledges) continuing to the most southwestern point of Graffam Island, then continuing to the southwestern point of Pleasant Island and continuing in a southeasterly direction to the northeastern tip of Two Bush Island.

Southern boundary: North of a line starting at the most southern point of Whitehead Island, St. George, to the southern end of Two Bush Island.

2. Eastern Casco Bay

Eastern boundary: West and North of a line drawn from the most southern tip of Gun Point, Harpswell, to G "3", South of Round Rock; continuing in a southwesterly direction to R N "2" at Eastern Drunkers Ledge.

Western boundary: East and North of a line draw from R N "2" at Eastern Drunkers Ledge to the most southern tip of Jaquish Island; then east of a line from the most northwestern tip of Jaquish Island at Latitude 43° 42.950N Longitude 70° 00.137W to the most southeastern tip of land along Jaquish Gut at Latitude 43° 43.043N Longitude 70° 00.128W.

3. Back Sheepscot River

Western boundary: East of a line drawn from the most southern tip of Hockomock Point, Woolwich to the most northern tip of Mill Point, Arrowsic Island, and following the shoreline to the Arrowsic Island-Georgetown Island bridge, and then continuing along the northern coastline to the northeast tip of Dry Point, Georgetown Island.

<u>Eastern boundary: West and North of the Townsend Gut Bridge connecting Southport Island</u> and West Boothbay Harbor.

Southern boundary: North of a line drawn from the most southern point of Outer Head Island at Griffith Head, Georgetown to the most southern tip of Cape Island, Southport

Northern boundary: West and south of a line drawn from the southern tip of Davis Island, running southwest to Clough Point, Westport Island.

Eastern boundary: West of a line drawn at the most northern tip of Soldier Point running north to the most southern tip of Westport Island.

4. New Meadows River

Southeast boundary: North of a line drawn from the southernmost tip of Birch Point, Phippsburg, to the southernmost tip of Long Island, Harpswell, then continuing along the western coastline to the northern tip of Long Island, Harpswell, then a line drawn due west to the nearest point of land on Sebascodegan Island, Harpswell.

Southwestern boundary: North of the Route 24 Gurnet Bridge (Harpswell).

5. Card Cove

West of a line drawn from the southeastern most tip of Pinkham Point, Harpswell, in a southwesterly direction to the nearest point of land and to include all of Card Cove, Harpswell.

6. Beals-Jonesport Bridge

Eastern boundary: West of a line drawn from the most eastern tip of Perio Point, Beals to OW Look's wharf, Jonesport.

Western boundary: East of the Jonesport-Beals Bridge.

7. Damariscotta River

North of a line drawn from Emerson Point at the southernmost tip of Ocean Point in the town of Boothbay, easterly to Thrumcap Island, then northerly to the southern tip of Rutherford Island, South Bristol.

8. St. Croix River

Northern boundary: South and west of a line drawn from the International Bridge between Calais, Maine and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada.

Eastern boundary: West of the international maritime boundary line.

Southern boundary: North and east of a line drawn from the northern tip of Kendall Head, Eastport to the southern tip of Cummings Cove, Deer Island, Canada.

11.09 Limited Access Areas

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following Limited Access Areas except by divers on November 18, 2022 24 and 27, 2021; December 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 and 31, 2022 for areas 1, 3 and 5 in Zone 1; and, December 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2022; January 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2023; February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2023 and March 4 and 11, 2023 for area 4 in Zone 3. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 23, 24 and 31, 2021 in Areas 1, 2, 3 and 5; except for November 24, 26, and 27, 2021; December 16, 17 and 18, 2021; and January 6, 7, and 8, 2022 in Areas 6 and 7; except in Whiting and Dennys Bays (Area 4) on December 4, 11, 18, and 24, 2021; January 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2022; February 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2022; and March 5, 12 and 19, 2022. All directions are relative to True north (not magnetic).

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following Limited Access Areas except by draggers on January 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2023; February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023 and March 6 and 13, 2023 in areas 1, 3, and 5 in Zone 1; and, December 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2022; January 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2023; and February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023 in area 2 in Zone 2; and December 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2022; January 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2023; February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2023; and March 6, 13 and 20, 2023 in area 4 in Zone 3. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2022; February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2022; and March 7 and 14, 2022 in Areas 1, 2, 3 and 5; except for December 6, 7, 8, 27, 28 and 29, 2021; and January 17, 18 and 19, 2022 in Areas 6 and 7; except in Whiting and Dennys Bays (Area 4) on December 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2021; January 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2022; February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2022; and March 7, 14 and 21, 2022. All directions are relative to True north (not magnetic).

Transiting exception:

Any vessel possessing scallops onboard, may transit these Limited Access Areas, only if the vessel has all fishing gear (dredges, drags, regulators, buoyancy compensators, fins, tanks, weight belts) securely stowed. Securely stowed shall mean the main wire shall not be shackled or connected to the dredges or drags, and the towing swivel will be at block or on the winch for draggers, while regulators, buoyancy compensators and tanks should be disconnected with fins and weight belts removed for divers.

The Commissioner may close harvesting for the remainder of the season in the Limited Access Areas listed below though emergency rulemaking if the Department has information that indicates there is a likelihood that between 30 percent and 40 percent of the harvestable biomass has been removed.

1. Western Casco Bay

Western boundary: South of a line drawn from the most southwestern point of Basin Point (Harpswell) to the northern tip of Jewell Island. Also, the waters between and to the north of Basin Point and Gun Point bounded by the Route 24 Gurnet Bridge (Harpswell).

Eastern boundary: West and North of a line drawn from the most southern tip of Gun Point, Harpswell, to G "3", South of Round Rock; continuing in a southwesterly direction to R N "2" at Eastern Drunkers Ledge, then continuing to the southeastern tip of Jewell island.

2. East Moosabec Ridge

Eastern boundary: Inside and west of a line starting at the eastern tip of Kelley Point, Jonesport and running southwesterly to the eastern tip of Pig Island; and, continuing southwesterly to the northeastern tip of Great Wass Island.

Western boundary: East of the Jonesport Bridge.

Sheepscot River

Western boundary: East of a line drawn at the most northern tip of Soldier Point running north to the most southern tip of Westport Island.

Northern boundary: East and south of a line drawn from the southern tip of Davis Island, running southwest to Clough Point, Westport Island.

Eastern boundary: West of a line drawn from Cross Point, Edgecomb, running easterly to the northern tip of Barters Island and continuing southerly along the western shore of Barters Island to the southern the most point of Barters Island and continuing southeasterly to the most northwestern tip of Sawyer Island.

- Eastern boundary: West and North of the Townsend Gut Bridge connecting Southport Island and
 West Boothbay Harbor.
- 3. Western Penobscot Area:

South and west of a line starting at the northern end of the Rackliff Island causeway then following the shore to the most southern point of Rackliff Island continuing to the most southern point of Norton Island and then continuing to the most southern point of Whitehead Island then to the southern end of Two Bush Island and continuing in a southwest direction to the most eastern tip of Mosquito Island, St. George and then from the west shore of Mosquito Island to the most southern tip of Marshall Point, Port Clyde.

4. Whiting Bay and Denny's Bay Area:

It shall be unlawful to fish for or take scallops and or urchins west of a line starting at the western end of Mahar Point, Pembroke, due south to the nearest point of land on Crow Neck, Trescott, to include all of Whiting Bay and Denny's Bay.

5. Muscle Ridge

Eastern boundary: West and South of a line drawn from the most eastern tip of Ash Point, South Thomaston at Latitude 44° 02.805 N Longitude 069° 04.393 W to RW "PA" Mo (A) GONG; then continuing southwest to the northern tip of Two Bush Island.

Western boundary: North of a line starting at the northern end of the Rackliff Island causeway then following the shore to the most southern point of Rackliff Island continuing to the most southern point of Norton Island and then continuing to the most southern point of Whitehead Island then to the southern end of Two Bush Island.

6. Gouldsboro and Dyers Bay Area

North of a line starting at the eastern most tip of Youngs Point, Corea, continuing to the western most tip of Sheep Island and following the southern shoreline to the eastern most tip of Sheep Island; and then running easterly to the southern tip of Petit Manan Point.

7. West Moosabec Reach Area

Eastern boundary: West of the Jonesport Bridge.

Western boundary: East of a line drawn from the most western tip of Macks Point, located north of Mill Pond cove, Beals to the end of the dock on Lobster Lane, Jonesport.

11.11 Open and Closed Scallop Fishing Days

1. Zone 1 season for draggers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for draggers in Zone 1 is open December 12, 2022 6, 2021 through March 23, 2023 17, 2022, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. In December 2022 2021 fishing is prohibited on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.
- B. In January <u>2023</u> 2022, February <u>2023</u> 2022, and March <u>2023</u> 2022, fishing is prohibited on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

2. Zone 1 season for divers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for divers in Zone 1 is open November 15, 2022 16, 2021 through April 29, 2023 2022, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. Fishing is prohibited in the month of November 2022 2021 except on days 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30, 2022 27, 2021. In the month of December 2022 2021 fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays; and also December 25, 2021.
- B. Fishing is prohibited in the months of January 2023 2022 and February 2023 2022.
- C. In the month of March <u>2023</u> 2022, fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.
- D. In the month of April <u>2023</u> 2022, fishing is prohibited on Sundays, and Mondays and <u>Tuesdays</u>. 26, 27, and 30, 2022.

3. Zone 2 season for draggers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for draggers in Zone 2 is open December 1, <u>2022</u> 2021 through March <u>30, 2023</u> 31, 2022, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. In December 2022 2021, fishing is prohibited on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, except for Friday, December 16, 2022 which shall be open.
- B. In January 2023 2022, February 2023 2022, and March 2023 2022, fishing is prohibited on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

4. Zone 2 season for divers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for divers in Zone 2 is open November 17, 2022 19, 2021 through April 22, 2023 March 26, 2022, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. In the month of November 2022 2021, fishing is permitted on days 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26, 2022. and 30, 2021. December 2022 2021 fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays and Wednesdays. ; and also, December 25, 2021.
- B. In the months of January 2023, February 2023, March 2023 and April 2023 2022, fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.
- C. In the months of February and March 2022, fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays.
- D. In the month of April 2022, fishing is prohibited.

5. Zone 2 State Waters season

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters around Machias Seal Island and North Rock is open December 1, <u>2022</u> 2021 through March 31, <u>2023</u> 2022, both days inclusive.

6. Zone 3 season for draggers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for draggers in Zone 3 is open December <u>5</u>, <u>2022</u> <u>1</u>, <u>2021</u> through March 28, <u>2023</u> <u>2022</u>, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. Fishing is prohibited on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in the month of December 2022 2021.
- B. Fishing is prohibited on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in the months of January 2023 2022, February 2023 2022 and March 2023 2022.

7. Zone 3 season for divers

The Atlantic Sea Scallop harvesting season in Maine's territorial waters for divers in Zone 3 is open December 1, 2022 2, 2021 through April 29, 2023 March 26, 2022, both days inclusive, with the following exceptions:

- A. Fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the month of December 2022 2021; and fishing is also prohibited on December 25, 2021.
- B. Fishing is prohibited on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the months of January 2023 2022, and February 2023 2022 and March 2022.
- C. <u>Fishing is prohibited on all days in March, except for March 2, 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11, 2023.</u> Fishing is prohibited on all days in April, except for April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2023.

11.12 Ten (10) Year 2022-2023 Rotational Management Plan

All areas are closed with the exception of the Third Rotation as described in 11.12(1)(C).

All areas in the First Rotation as described in 11.12(1)(C) are open to all individuals issued a license under §6701 or 6302-A for scallop diving only.

All areas in the Second Rotation as described in 11.12(1)(C) are open to all individuals issued a license under §6702 or 6302-A for scallop dragging.

All areas in the Third Rotation as described in 11.12(1)(C) are closed to harvest during the 2022-2023 scallop season.

1. Zone Two (2): Eastern Maine

The open and closed seasons in the specified areas within Zone Two (2) shall be open on a rotational basis as shown in the following table:

Strike table:

	Zone Two (2) Eastern Maine									
	10 Year Rotational Management Plan Schedule									
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Rotation	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season	Season
First	X	X	OPEN	X	X	OPEN	X	X	OPEN	Х
Second	OPEN	OPEN	X	X	OPEN	Х	Х	OPEN	Х	Х
Third	OPEN	OPEN	X	OPEN	X	Х	OPEN	Х	Х	OPEN

A. First Rotation

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following closed areas, except for the 2014-15 fishing season, the 2017-18 fishing season and the 2020-21 fishing season. All directions are relative to True North (not Magnetic unless specified as such).

Transiting exception:

Any vessel possessing scallops onboard, may transit these closed areas, only if the vessel has all fishing gear (dredges, drags) securely stowed. Securely stowed shall mean the main wire shall not be shackled or connected to the dredges or drags, and the towing swivel will be at block or on the winch.

(1) The Bold Coast

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line drawn from the international bridge that connects Lubec to Campobello Island, New Brunswick, Canada.

Western boundary: North and East of a line starting at the most western tip of Jim's Head in the town of Trescott and True south to the three mile limit.

(2) Little Kennebec/Englishman Bay:

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at Bucks Head, Machiasport proceeding East to the southern end of Northwest Head on Cross Island then True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: East and South of a line starting at the most northeastern point of Great Head, Roque Island then northeast to the most southern end of Shoppee Point, Roque Bluffs and from the eastern tip of Great Spruce Island to the day board at East Black Rock 'RW Bn', and then True South to the three mile limit, including Roque Island harbor however not to include the Thoroughfare between Roque Island and Great Spruce Island.

(3) Addison

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at the most eastern end of Tibbett Island going due North to the closest point of land on Moose Neck and southeast to the most northern tip of eastern Plummer Island then the most western tip of Toms Island then True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: East and South of a line starting at Strout Point in the town of Milbridge to the most northern tip of Foster Island in the town of Milbridge then the most southeastern tip of Fosters Island to the most northern tip of Dyers Island; continuing from southern tip of Dyers Island to the most northwestern tip of Flint Island and the most southwestern tip of Flint Island then running True South to the three mile limit.

(4) Frenchman's Bay

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting from the southern most tip of Schoodic Point True South to the three mile limit (western boundary of the Zone A lobster management zone).

Western boundary: East and North of a line starting at the most eastern end of Otter Point, Mount Desert Island continuing SE (135°) to the three mile limit at Latitude 44 16.080 N Longitude 68 07.919 W.

(5) Swan's Island

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at Bass Harbor Head then in a southeast direction to the most easterly Point of Great Gott Island continuing on True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: East and South of a line from the southern most tip of Lopaus Point to the northern most point of Black Island; continuing from the western most tip of Black Island to the northern most tip of Swans Island Head, Swans Island; continuing South from West Point, Swans Island to Long Point, Marshall Island; then East of a line from the southwestern most tip of Lower Head, Marshall Island running True South to the three mile limit.

(6) Isle Au Haut Bay

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at Moose Island, Deer Isle, to the western most point of Farrel Island, then True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: South of a line starting at the southern most point of Stinson Point, Deer Isle west to Mullen Head, North Haven; then East of a line starting at Fish Point, North Haven to Calder Wood Point on Calderwood Neck, Vinalhaven; continuing from the southern most point of Lane Island, Vinalhaven, True South to the three mile limit.

(7) Upper Penobscot Bay

Eastern boundary: Northwest of a line from Deer Isle bridge and the most southwestern point of Little Deer Isle to the most northern point of Pickering Island, then to the most eastern tip of Dark Harbor, Islesboro; continuing on from Grindel Point, Islesboro due West to the Sea Urchin Zone line at Latitude 44 16.913 N Longitude 68 58.508 W.

Western boundary: East of the Sea Urchin Zone Line.

(8) Outer Islands (Machias Seal Island and North Rock)

Territorial waters surrounding Machias Seal Island and North Rock.

B. Second Rotation

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following closed areas, except for the 2012-13 fishing season, the 2013-14 fishing season, the 2016-17 fishing season and the 2019-20 fishing season. All directions are relative to True North (not Magnetic unless specified as such).

Transiting exception:

Any vessel possessing scallops onboard, may transit these closed areas, only if the vessel has all fishing gear (dredges, drags) securely stowed. Securely stowed shall mean the main

wire shall not be shackled or connected to the dredges or drags, and the towing swivel will be at block or on the winch.

(1) The Cutler Shore

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at the most western tip of Jim's Head in the town of Trescott and South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: North and East of a line drawn South from Western Head, Cutler to the three mile limit.

(2) Chandler Bay/Head Harbor Island

Eastern boundary: North and West a line starting at the most northeastern point of Great Head, Roque Island then northeast to the most southern end of Shoppee Point, Roque Bluffs and from the eastern tip of Great Spruce Island to the day board at East Black Rock 'RW Bn', and then True South to the three mile limit, including the Thoroughfare between Roque Island and Great Spruce Island.

Western boundary: East of the Jonesport Bridge then True South from the most Eastern tip of Little Pond Head to the three mile limit.

(3) Narraguagus/Pigeon Hill Bay

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at Strout Point in the town of Milbridge to the most northern tip of Foster Island in the town of Milbridge then The most southeastern tip of Fosters Island to the most northern tip of Dyers Island; continuing from southern tip of Dyers Island to the most northwestern tip of Flint Island and the most southwestern tip of Flint Island then running True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: North and East of a line starting at the most southern tip of Petit Manan to EB gong, then South to the northern most tip of Green Island; then from the southeastern top of Green Island to the northern tip of Petit Manan Island; then from the southern tip of Petit Manan Island to N"2", then to G"1" bell, then True South to the three mile limit.

(4) Cranberry Isle Area

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at the most eastern end of Otter Point, Mount Desert Island continuing SE (135°) to the three mile limit at Latitude 44 16.080 N Longitude 68 07.919 W.

Western boundary: North and East of a line starting at Bass Harbor Head Light then in a southeast direction to the most easterly point on the eastern head of Great Gott Island continuing on True South to the three mile limit.

(5) Lower Blue Hill Bay/Jericho Bay

Eastern boundary: North and West of a line from the southern most tip of Lopaus Point to the northern most point of Black Island; continuing from the western most tip of Black Island to the northern most tip of Swans Island Head.

Western boundary: North and East of the line from the most southeastern point of Naskeag Point, Brooklin to the northern most tip of Swan's Island Head, Swan's Island.

Northern boundary: South of a line drawn from the eastern most point of Harriman Point due East to the southern tip of Hardwood Island, then South to the northern tip of Moose Island, then from the southern tip of Moose Island East to Reed Point, Mount Desert Island.

(6) East Isle Au Haut Bay

Eastern boundary: West of a line from the eastern tip of Coles Head on Whitemore Neck, Deer Isle to the western most point of Millett Island, then South to Richs Point, Isle Au Haut; then from the southern tip of Eastern Head, Isle au Haut, True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: South and East of a line starting at Moose Island, Deer Isle, to the western most point of Farrel Island, then True South to the three mile limit

(7) Mid Penobscot Bay

Northern boundary: South of a line from the most northwestern point of Little Deer Isle to the most northern point of Pickering Island, then to the most eastern tip of Dark Harbor, Islesboro; continuing on from Grindel Point, Islesboro due West to the Sea Urchin Zone line at Latitude Latitude 44 16.913 N Longitude 68 58.508 W.

Southern boundary: North of a line starting at the southern most point of Stinson Point, Deer Isle, West to Mullen Head, North Haven AND North of a line starting at Pulpit Rock, North Haven due West to the Sea Urchin Zone line at Latitude 44 09.551 N Longitude 69 01.510 W.

(8) Outer Islands (Machias Seal Island and North Rock)

Territorial waters surrounding Machias Seal Island and North Rock.

C Third Rotation

It shall be unlawful to fish for, take, or possess scallops taken by any method within any of the following closed areas, except for the 2012-13 fishing season, the 2013-14 fishing season, the 2015-16 fishing season, the 2018-19 fishing season and the 2021-22 fishing season. All directions are relative to True North (not Magnetic unless specified as such).

Transiting exception:

Any vessel possessing scallops onboard, may transit these closed areas, only if the vessel has all fishing gear (dredges, drags) securely stowed. Securely stowed shall mean the main wire shall not be shackled or connected to the dredges or drags, and the towing swivel will be at block or on the winch.

(1) Machias Area

North and East of a line starting at Bucks Head, Machiasport proceeding east to the southern end of Northwest Head on Cross Island then due South to the three mile limit, and West of a line drawn due south from Great Head Western Head, Cutler to the three mile limit.

(2) Wahoa/Western Bay

Eastern boundary: West of the Jonesport Bridge then True South from the most Eastern tip of Little Pond Head to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: North and East of a line starting at the most eastern end of Tibbett Island going due North to the closest point of land on Moose Neck and southeast to the most northern tip of eastern Plummer Island then the most western tip of Toms Island; then True South to the three mile limit.

(3) Gouldsboro/Dyer Bay

Eastern boundary: South and West of a line starting at the most southern tip of Petit Manan to EB gong. then South to the northern most tip of Green Island; then from the southeastern top of Green Island to the northern tip of Petit Manan Island; then from the southern tip of Petit Manan Island to N"2"; then to G"1" bell; then True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: North and East of a line starting from the southern most tip of Schoodic Point True South to the three mile limit (western boundary of the Zone A lobster management zone).

(4) Upper Blue Hill Bay/Union River

North of a line from Eastern most point of Harriman Point due East to the southern tip of Hardwood Island, then South to the northern tip of Moose Island, then from the southern tip of Moose Island East to Reed Point, Mount Desert Island.

(5) Lower Jericho Bay

Northern boundary: South and east of a line from the southeastern point of Stinson Neck, Deer Isle to the southeastern point of Naskeag Point, Brooklin; continuing southeast to The northern most tip of Swan's Island Head, Swan's Island.

Eastern boundary: North and West of a line from northern most tip of Swans Island Head; continuing South from West Point, Swans Island to Long Point, Marshall Island; then West of a

line from the southern most tip of Lower Head, Marshall Island running True South to the three mile limit.

Western boundary: East and south of a line from the southwestern tip of Stinson Neck, Deer Isle west to the eastern tip of Coles Head on Whitemore Neck, Deer Isle; then south to the western most point of Millett Island, then South to Richs Point, Isle Au Haut; then from the southern tip of Eastern Head, Isle au Haut, True South to the three mile limit.

(6) Eggemoggin Reach/Southeast Harbor

Eastern boundary: North and West of a line from the most southeastern point of Stinson Neck, Deer Isle then running to Naskeag Point, Brooklin AND North of a line starting at the most southwestern tip of Stinson Neck, Deer Island running to Coles Point on Whitmore Neck, Deer Island; this includes all of Southeast Harbor.

Western boundary: South and West of the Deer Isle Bridge.

(7) Lower Penobscot Bay & Outer Islands

Northern/Western boundary: South of a line starting at Pulpit Rock, North Haven due West to the Sea Urchin Zone line at Latitude 44 09.551 N Longitude 69 01.510 W and continuing south along the Sea Urchin Zone line to the three mile limit, encompassing the territorial waters around all the outer islands of Penobscot Bay including Matinicus Island, Ragged Island, Wooden Ball Island, Seal Island and Matinicus Rock.

Eastern boundary: West of a line starting at Calder Wood Point, Vinalhaven to Fish Point, North Haven; then West of a line from the southern most point of Lane Island, Vinalhaven, True South to the three mile limit.

(8) Outer Islands (Machias Seal Island and North Rock)

Territorial waters surrounding Machias Seal Island and North Rock.

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FINAL CALENDAR

2021-2022 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 1 DRAG

60 days; 11 LAA days

Limited Access Area

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FINAL CALENDAR

2021-2022 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 1 DIVE

60 days; 11 LAA days

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FINAL CALENDAR 2021-2022 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 2 DRAG

70 days

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Open

Limited Access Areas

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FINAL CALENDAR

2021-2022 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 3 DRAG

50 days; 16 LAA days

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FINAL CALENDAR

2021-2022 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 3 DIVE

50 days; 16 LAA days

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PROPOSED CALENDAR

2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 1 DRAG

60 days; 11 LAA days

Open

Zone 1 Limited Access Area

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PROPOSED CALENDAR

2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 1 DIVE

60 days; 11 LAA days

Zone 1 Limited Access Area

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PROPOSED CALENDAR

2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 2 DRAG

70 days; 13 LAA days

Zone 2 Limited Access Area

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2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 2 DIVE

70 days

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PROPOSED CALENDAR

2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 3 DRAG

50 days; 16 LAA days

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Zone 3 Limited Access Area

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Insert this Zone 3 dive calendar as if underlined (at the end of Ch. 11):

PROPOSED CALENDAR

2022-2023 SCALLOP SEASON ZONE 3 DIVE

50 days; 15 LAA days

Open

Zone 3 Limited Access Area

NOVEMBER 2022				0 Days		
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

DECEMBER 2022			1	5 Day	S		
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	
				1	2	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

JANU	JANUARY		12 Days			
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

FEBRUARY 202		2023	1			
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

MAR	СН	2023	6 Days			
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

APRIL		2023	23 5 Days			
Su	Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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Rule-Making Fact Sheet

(5 M.R.S., §8057-A)

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CHAPTER NUMBER AND RULE: Chapter 11 Scallops; 2022-2023 Season

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S. §6171, §6722

Date, time and location of PUBLIC HEARING (if any): Public hearings are scheduled for 5:00 p.m. at the dates and locations listed below:

- * August 29, 2022: DMR's Augusta Office (Marquardt Building), 32 Blossom LN, Rm. 118; or remotely via Microsoft Teams. Remote access information is posted to DMR's website under meetings.
- * September 1, 2022: University of Maine at Machias, 116 O'Brien AV, Science Building, Rm 102

COMMENT DEADLINE: September 11, 2022

PRINCIPAL REASON(S) OR PURPOSE FOR PROPOSING THIS RULE: [see §8057-A(1)(A)&(C)]

Scallop regulations must be updated for each new season to adjust the schedules and closure lines based on data from the previous season.

IS MATERIAL INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE RULE? YES_X_ NO [\$8056(1)(B)]

ANALYSIS AND EXPECTED OPERATION OF THE RULE: [see §8057-A(1)(B)&(D)]

This proposed rule-making establishes the 2022-2023 scallop fishing season. Daily possession limits of 15 gallons for Zone 1 and Zone 2, and 10 gallons for Zone 3 remain unchanged. For Zone 1, a 60-day season for draggers would begin on December 12, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 23, 2023. For Zone 1, a 60-day season for divers would start on November 15, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 29, 2023. For Zone 2, a 70-day season for draggers would start on November 17, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 30, 2023. For Zone 2, a 70-day season for divers would start on November 17, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 22, 2023. For Zone 3, a 50-day season for draggers would begin on December 5, 2022 and the last day of the season would be March 28, 2023. For Zone 3, a 50-day season for divers would begin on December 1, 2022 and the last day of the season would be April 29, 2023.

Harvesting of scallops by hand (diving) is restricted to Rotation A (First) only for the 2022-2023 season. Harvesting for scallops by dredge gear is restricted to Rotation B (Second) only for the 2022-2023 season. A new limited access area is proposed for East Moosabec Reach in Zone 2 for the 2022-2023 season. The St. Croix River in Zone 3 re-opens to harvest for the 2022-2023 season.

DMR would maintain the following Limited Access Areas: Western Penobscot Bay, Muscle Ridge, Whiting and Denny's Bays. Additionally, the following existing targeted closures based on depletion, high concentrations of seed/sublegal scallops and/or the presence of spat-producing scallops would be maintained: Lower Muscle Ridge, Upper Sheepscot River, New Meadows River, Card Cove and Beals-Jonesport Bridge.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF RELEVANT INFORMATION CONSIDERED DURING DEVELOPMENT OF THE RULE (including up to 3 primary sources relied upon) [see §§8057-A(1)(E) & 8063-B]

Recommendations from the Scallop Advisory Council, scallop industry members [harvesters and dealers] and Bureau of Marine Science staff.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT OF THE RULE: [see §8057-A(1)(C)]

Enforcement of this rule will not require additional activity in this agency. Existing enforcement personnel will monitor compliance during their routine patrols.

FOR EXISTING RULES WITH FISCAL IMPACT OF \$1 MILLION OR MORE, ALSO INCLUDE:

ECONOMIC IMPACT, WHETHER OR NOT QUANTIFIABLE IN MONETARY TERMS: