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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

October 24, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 26-B, Martin Point, Friendship to Gay Island, Cushing: This notice repeals the Prohibited closure on Morse Island (Friendship) due to a pollution source remediation and an updated shoreline survey. All existing pollution and red tide/psp closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited area(s):

1. Friendship Harbor, Hatchet Cove and Martin Point (Friendship): east of a line running south from the center of the marine railway on the southwestern side of Martin Point to the northern tip of Gull Rock; AND north of a line running northeast from the northern tip of Gull Rock to the point of land at the end of Bradford Point Road; AND south of a line running southeast from the tip of Jesse's Point to a red painted post on the prominent point on the opposite shore; AND south of a line running south from a red painted post located on the shore of the prominent point of land on the western shore of Hatchet Cove to the northern tip of Little Sand Island, then continuing southeast to the southern tip of Sand Island and continuing along the southern shore of Sand Island, then continuing northeast from the southeastern tip of Sand Island to a red painted post located on the shore of a small unnamed point of land, west of Cove Way Lane.
2. Friendship Long Island (Friendship): South of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the western most point of the small unnamed island west of Little Morse Island running northwest to a red painted post located on Friendship Long Island approximately 400 yards southwest of the eastern most point on Friendship Long Island; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore of the western most point of the small unnamed island west of Little Morse Island, running southwest to a red painted post located on the southernmost tip of an unnamed point on the Friendship Long Island shore.
- ~~3. Morse Island (Friendship): East of a line beginning at the most northwestern point of Morse Island then running northeast to the USCG red nun navigational buoy #4 located north of Morse Island; AND west of a line beginning at the northeastern most point of Morse island running northwest to the USCG red nun navigational buoy #4.~~
3. 4. Cranberry Island (Friendship): South of a line beginning at the most northwestern point on Cranberry Island, running southeast to the most northeastern point on Cranberry Island.

4. ~~5.~~ Friendship Long Island (Friendship): East of a line beginning on the northwest shore of a lobster pound running south to the opposite shore on Friendship Long Island.
5. ~~6.~~ Crotch Island (Cushing): Northeast of a line beginning at the most southwestern point of land on Crotch Island running southeast to the southwestern most point of land on Davis Point; AND west of a line beginning at the most southwest point of land on David Point running northwest to the southeastern point on Crotch Island.
6. ~~7.~~ Autios Cove Back River (Friendship): North of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore approximately 160 yards southwest of the end of Pine Cove Lane running northwest to a red painted post on the opposite shore.

B. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area(s) without a special MDMR permit:

1. Meduncook River (Friendship and Cushing): north of Salt Pond Rd.
2. Hornbarn Cove (Cushing): north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the eastern shore of Hornbarn Cove, approximately 300 yards from the head of the cove then running northwest to a red painted post located on the opposite shore.

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: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,



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Commissioner's Designee – Director, Bureau of Public Health

10:05 AM
(Effective Time)



Maine Department of Marine Resources

Pollution Closed Area No. 26B

Martin Point, Friendship to Gay Island Cushing

