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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

November 30, 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following change to Area No. 64-A; this notice repeals the mussel, European oyster and surf/hen clam closure due to a decreased risk of contamination by naturally occurring marine biotoxins. All other 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):

~~A. Effective immediately, because of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP), it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) or surf/hen clams (*Spisula solidissima*) from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:~~

~~East of a line beginning at the southernmost point of Cape Jellison (Stockton Springs), then running south to the westernmost tip of Resolution Island (Deer Isle), then running south to the northeastern tip of Compass Island (Deer Isle), then running southeast to the southern tip of Bald Island, then running southeast to the southwestern tip of Barred Island (Stonington), then running south to the eastern tip of Saddleback Ledge (Vinalhaven), then running south to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction; AND west of a line drawn south from Point of Maine (Machiasport) to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction.~~

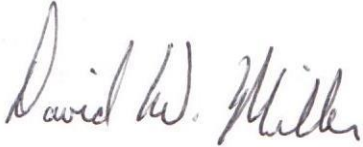
~~EXCEPTION 64-A-01: mussels and European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) may be harvested north and east of a line beginning at Kimball Head on Kimball Island (Isle au Haut), then running northwest to the easternmost tip of Mullen Head (North Haven); AND north of a line beginning at the Richs Point (Isle au Haut), then running northeast to the north tip of Fog Island (Isle au Haut) and then northeast to the northern tip of Tinker Island, then running east to Dodge Point (Tremont); AND north of a line beginning at the boat ramp in downtown Bar Harbor, then running northeast to the north tip of Sheep Porcupine Island and northeast to the north tip of Burnt Porcupine Island and northeast to the southern shore of Bunkers Cove (South Gouldsboro).~~

~~EXCEPTION 64-A-02: mussels and European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) may be harvested north of a line beginning at the eastern tip of Youngs Point (Corea/Gouldsboro), then running east to the southern tip of Dyer Point (Steuben).~~

~~EXCEPTION 64-A-03: mussels and European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) may be harvested east of the Beals Island bridge (Jonesport/Beals); AND north of a line beginning at the north tip of Beals Island (Beals), then running east to the north shore of Pig Island (Beals), then running east to the northwest tip of Head Harbor Island (Jonesport); AND west and north of a line running northeast from the northwest tip of Head Harbor to the southern tip of Bonney Point (Roque Island); AND west and north of a line running northeast from the north tip of Great Head (Roque Island) to the northwest tip of Shoppee Point (Roque Bluffs).~~

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,



David W. Miller
Eastern Maine Growing Area
Commissioner's Designee

3:00 PM
(Effective Time)