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Public Hearings Rescheduled: Vibrio Management

DMF recently advertised two public hearings for March 7th and 8th to take comments on proposed amendments to Vibrio management regulations for 2016 (<u>see public hearing notice for more detail</u>). Due to scheduling conflicts, including the International Seafood Show in Boston, DMF has postponed these hearings and these public hearings have been rescheduled for:

Tuesday, March 29, 2016 Start Time: 6:00 PM Plymouth Radisson 180 Water Street Plymouth, MA Wednesday, March 30, 2016 Start Time: 11:00 AM Edgartown Town Hall 70 Main Street Edgartown, MA

Despite rescheduling these public hearings, the public comment period remains open. The period when written comments may be accepted has been extended through 5:00PM on April 1, 2016. Please address all comments to Director David Pierce. Comments can be sent by e-mail to marine.fish@state.ma.us or by mail to 251 Causeway Street, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114.

For more information about the proposed amendments to the Vibrio management regulations, please view the revised public hearing notice. A copy of the draft regulations may be obtained by contacted Jared Silva by phone (617-626-1534) or e-mail (jared.silva@state.ma.us).

For more information about Vibrio management in Massachusetts, contact our Shellfish Program at 508-990-2860 or visit our <u>website</u>.