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DMF TO HOST STAKEHOLDER MEETING REGARDING RECLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN SHELLFISH GROWING AREAS IN BUZZARDS BAY

At 3PM on March 11, 2024, DMF will host a virtual stakeholder meeting regarding the ongoing reclassification of shellfish growing areas in Buzzards Bay and subsequent shellfish fishing opportunities within these communities. This reclassification is part of an ongoing effort by the Division of Marine Fisheries to respond to federal requirements regarding safety zones around wastewater treatment plants outfalls and DMF has previously reclassified waters around outfalls in Marshfield, Scituate, Plymouth, and Fall River.

DMF invites all interested stakeholders to join a virtual stakeholder meeting to explain federal requirements for safety zones around wastewater treatment plants; review DMF's previous work to address safety zones and efforts made to maintain traditional shellfish fishing opportunities while addressing public health concerns; describe DMF's action plan for Buzzards Bay and how this may impact shellfish growing area classifications for the region moving forward; and take questions and comments from the public.

Stakeholder Meeting Regarding Reclassification of Shellfish Growing Areas in Buzzards Bay

Monday, March 11th from 3:00 to 4:30 PM

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