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October 8, 2026

Town of Kingston Board of Selectmen
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Kingston, MA 02364

Town of Duxbury Select Board
Town Hall
Duxbury, MA 02332

Members of the Select Board:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the shellfish growing areas Kingston Bay Center (CCB43.3) and Kinsgston Bay East (CCB43.1) in the Towns of Kingston and Duxbury, which closed on September 25, 2026, due to heavy rain, now meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an "Open to Shellfishing" status.

Therefore, under the authority of MGL Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined CONDITIONALLY APPROVED area will acquire the status dictated by its Conditional Area Management Plan criteria, and local rules and regulations under authority of MGL Chapter 130, section 52, effective as of **3:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2026**.

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH
Subject to conditional area management plan criteria where applicable

CCB43.1
Kingston Bay East

"The waters, flats, and all tributaries of that portion of Kingston Bay in the Towns of Duxbury and Kingston easterly of a line drawn from the westernmost corner of the house at 42 Off Boundary Street in the Town of Kingston to the westernmost corner of the stone pier at Howlands Landing in the Town of Duxbury, and westerly of a line drawn from the Kingston/Plymouth town boundary at Boundary Street to the southern end of Goose Point in the Town of Duxbury."

CCB43.3
Kingston Bay Center

"The waters, flats, and all tributaries of that portion of Kingston Bay in the Towns of Duxbury and Kingston westerly of a line drawn from westernmost corner of the house at 42 Off Boundary Street in the Town of Kingston to the westernmost corner of the stone

pier at Howlands Landing in the Town of Duxbury; easterly of a line drawn from the easternmost rock at the northernmost point of Association Beach in the Town of Kingston (41.99710°, -70.69981°) to the northernmost rock of Cripple Rocks (42.00737°, -70.69957°) to the southernmost corner of the house at 17 Surfside West in the Town of Duxbury."

Sincerely,

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MA Division of Marine Fisheries

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