



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Marine Fisheries

(617) 626-1520 | www.mass.gov/marinefisheries



MAURA T. HEALEY
Governor

KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL
Lt. Governor

REBECCA L. TEPPER
Secretary

THOMAS K. O'SHEA
Commissioner

DANIEL J. MCKIERNAN
Director

March 31, 2025

Town of Mashpee Selectboard
Town Hall
Mashpee, MA 02649

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has re-examined the waters of Little River Boatyard (SC16.1) in the Town of Mashpee, classified as "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" and in the "Open to Shellfishing" status based on NSSP marina requirements. As a result of this examination, the Division has determined that the below defined area no longer meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish and has changed the status to **"Closed to Shellfishing" as of sunrise on April 1, 2025.**

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below defined area.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

SEASONAL STATUS CHANGE

Status: Closed to Shellfishing

April 1 - October 31

All Dates Inclusive

SC16.1

Little River Boatyard

"The waters and flats of Little River Boat Yard in the Town of Mashpee, inside or west of a line drawn from the end of the Little River Boat Yard gas dock (41.56599°, - 70.51013°) to the end of the Little River Boat Yard southern dock (41.56551°, - 70.51050°)."

The preceding "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" area, SC16.1, shall remain in the closed status during the inclusive dates. The status will not automatically revert to "Open to Shellfishing" on November 1, 2025, but will remain closed until examined by the Division and notification is made that the area has been placed in the open status.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel J. McKiernan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Daniel J. McKiernan, Director
MA Division of Marine Fisheries

cc: C. Mason, C. Baker, MEP
R. Glenn, C. Petitpas, DMF
J. Hobill, DEP
FDA, DPH
C. Avis, Mashpee Shellfish Constable