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Select boards of the following towns:
Duxbury, Kingston and Plymouth

Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, Section 74A, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that shellfish areas in Kingston, Duxbury and Plymouth, in the Towns of Kingston, Duxbury and Plymouth which were closed on July 12, 2019 due to excessive rainfall, will meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an "OPEN" status as of sunrise on July 17, 2019.

Those areas previously classified as "APPROVED" and "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" and in the "OPEN" status prior to the July 12, 2019 shellfish closure will revert to their previous status on July 17, 2019 and open to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of MGL Chapter 130, Section 52.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED and APPROVED
STATUS CHANGE

Status: Open To Shellfishing

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF ALL SHELLFISH AS DEFINED ABOVE

"The waters, flats and all tributaries of Plymouth Bay (CCB42), Kingston Bay (CCB43), Duxbury Bay (CCB45), Bluefish River (CCB46) and Back River (CCB47) within the Towns of Duxbury, Kingston and Plymouth."

Sincerely,

David E. Pierce,
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