



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## Division of Marine Fisheries

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July 23, 2023

The Honorable Mayor of Boston  
City Hall  
Boston, MA 02201

Town Manager, Winthrop  
Town Hall  
Winthrop, MA 02152

Dear Mayor Wu and Town Manager Wilson,

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has closed the below defined shellfishing areas in the City of Boston and the Town of Winthrop due to a Sanitary Sewer Overflow. As a result, the status of these areas has been changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING" effective as of July 22, 2023.

Therefore, the below defined CONDITIONALLY RESTRICTED classification areas are closed to the harvest of shellfish. Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below defined areas is prohibited.

**CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY RESTRICTED**  
**STATUS: CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING**

**GBH5.1 Winthrop Shores**

"The waters and flats to extreme low water, from the Otis St. pier west and north to Loring St. ramp, excluding GBH5.15 (the area known as Crystal Cove) and Prohibited area GBH5.16, GBH5.17, and GBH5.18."

**GBH5.2 Airport**

"The waters and flats to extreme low water, bordering Logan Airport from the intersection of taxiway November and Runway 15 to the eastern end of Runway 27."

**GBH5.4 Wood Island**

"The waters and flats to extreme low water in East Boston: east of a line drawn from the boat ramp at the East Boston Yacht Club to the old Memorial Park bulkhead at Logan Airport; south of the channel extending from Horace Street; north and west of the intersection of Runway 15 and taxiway November; west of the channel running parallel to Runway 22R."

**GBH5.5 Snake Island**

"The waters and flats to extreme low water, of Snake Island in the Town of Winthrop."

On Monday, August 14, 2023, at sunrise, these areas will revert to an open status unless further word is received from the Division of Marine Fisheries.

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

cc: P. Moran, C. Baker, MEP  
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