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August 16, 2023

Town of Mashpee Selectboard
Town Hall
685 Route 134
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Town of Falmouth Selectboard
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59 Town Hall Square
Falmouth, MA 02540

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below-defined shellfish areas in the Towns of Mashpee and Falmouth (Little and Great Rivers SC16, Mashpee South Coastal SC17, and Popponessett Bay SC19), closed at 12:30pm on August 8, 2023 due to heavy rain, now meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an “OPEN” status.

Therefore, under authority of MGL, Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined areas will revert to their former status prior to the closure on August 8, 2023, **effective at 3:00pm on Wednesday August 16, 2023.**

Those areas previously classified as “APPROVED” and in the “OPEN” status, prior to the August 8, 2023, shellfish closure, will revert to their previous status at 3:00pm on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, 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.

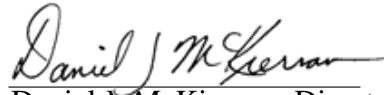
Areas classified as “PROHIBITED” and “CONDITIONALLY APPROVED” in the “CLOSED” status, and the “APPROVED” area in the “CLOSED” status Jehu Pond and Wetland SC16.5 shall remain closed to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption.

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF ALL SHELLFISH

“The waters, flats, and all tributaries of SC16.0 SC17, and SC19, in the Towns of Mashpee and Falmouth.”

All previous bacterial closures remain in effect.

Sincerely,

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

Daniel J. McKiernan, Director
MA Division of Marine Fisheries

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August 17, 2023

Town of Brewster Selectboard
Town Hall
2198 Main Street
Brewster, MA 02631

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below defined shellfish area in the Town of Brewster (Brewster North Coastal CCB20.0), closed at 12:30pm on August 8, 2023, due to heavy rain, now meets the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an "OPEN" status.

Therefore, under authority of MGL, Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined area will revert to its' former status prior to the closure on August 8, 2023, effective immediately, 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.

All previous bacterial closures remain in effect.

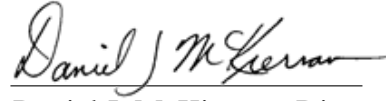
CLASSIFICATION: APPROVED

Status: Open to Shellfishing

CCB20.0 Brewster North Coastal

"The waters and flats of that portion of Cape Cod Bay in the Town of Brewster, westerly of a line drawn along the Brewster/Orleans town line to the Barnstable County Line; easterly of a line drawn along the Brewster/Dennis town line to the Barnstable County Line; southeasterly of the Barnstable County Line; northerly of a line drawn across the mouths of Stony Brook, Quivett Creek and Namskaket Creek and excluding the 100-foot radius closure around the wetland pipe at Breakwater Beach (CCB20.1)."

Sincerely,

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Daniel J. McKiernan, Director
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August 18, 2023

Town of Yarmouth Selectboard
Town Hall
1146 Route 28
So. Yarmouth, MA 02649

Town of Barnstable Town Manager
Town Hall
367 Main Street
Hyannis, MA 02601

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below defined shellfish areas in the Towns of Yarmouth and Barnstable (Hyannis Harbor SC27 and Lewis Bay SC28), closed at 12:30pm on August 8, 2023 due to heavy rain, now meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an “OPEN” status.

Therefore, under authority of MGL, Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined areas will revert to their former status prior to the closure on August 8, 2023, **effective at 3:00pm on Friday August 18, 2023.**

Those areas previously classified as “APPROVED” and in the “OPEN” status, prior to the August 8, 2023 shellfish closure, will revert to their previous status at 3:00pm on Friday August 18, 2023, 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.

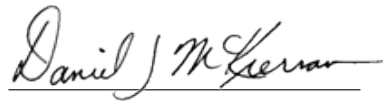
Similarly, those areas previously classified as “CONDITIONALLY APPROVED” and in the “OPEN” status prior to the August 8, 2023 shellfish closure will revert to their previous status at 3:00pm on Friday August 18, 2023 subject to the previous status conditions. All conditions, management plans and MOU’s remain in effect. Areas classified as “PROHIBITED” and “RESTRICTED” shall remain closed to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption.

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF ALL SHELLFISH

“The waters, flats and all tributaries of SC27 and SC28, in the Towns of Yarmouth and Barnstable”

All previous bacterial closures remain in effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel J. McKiernan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

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