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## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification – Notification of Changes

April 24, 2023

### This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced.

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following changes to Growing Area EK, Dyer Point (Steuben) to Petit Manan Point. This notice changes an area in Pinkham Bay (Steuben) from Approved to Restricted due to water quality no longer meeting approved standards. An interactive map that allows the user to zoom in to specific areas can be found on the ME DMR website: [Shellfish Closures and Aquaculture Leases Map | Department of Marine Resources \(maine.gov\)](http://maine.gov). All existing pollution and biotoxin closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

Prohibited: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

- P1. Dyer Bay (Steuben): east of a line beginning at Yellow Birch Head, running north to the western prominence of Petit Manan Point approximately 530 yards southwest of Over Point.

Restricted: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area without a special MDMR permit:

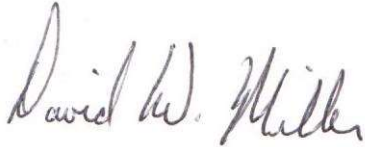
- R1. Dyer Harbor (Steuben): northwest of a line beginning at the remains of an old pier approximately 600 yards south of the bridge crossing Dyer Brook at the head of the harbor, running northeast to the nearest point of land on the opposite shore.
- R2. Pinkham Bay (Steuben): north of a line beginning at a red-painted post located on the west shore of Pinkham Bay approximately 585 yards southwest of the west end of the Pinkham Bay Bridge then running east to an unnamed prominent point of land on the opposite shore; AND west of a line beginning at the unnamed prominent point of land then running northeast to the westernmost tip of Hog Island, then running northeast to a red painted post approximately 390 yards from the west end of the Pinkham Bay Bridge.

Approved: All other shores, flats and waters not described in the above sections are Approved and it is lawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) when in the open status. For current status, please refer to the Biotxin and Emergency Closure Notices on the DMR website:

<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/fisheries/shellfish/closure>

A. Growing Area EK.

If you have questions, please contact Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9500 Email: [DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov](mailto:DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov). During weekends/holidays, contact on duty Marine Patrol Officers through the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/fisheries/shellfish/closure>. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207- 624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).



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(Effective Time)