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Re: B-120 Contaminated Quahog Transplant

Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that a portion of the shellfish growing area, Pocasset Harbor (BB:49.20) in the Town of Bourne, no longer meets the established criteria for a status of "OPEN" due to the transplant of contaminated quahogs from the Taunton River (Permit #161256). The status of this area will be "**CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING**" as of sunrise on June 16, 2019.

Therefore, the Division of Marine Fisheries will change the status of the below defined area to "**CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING**" to prohibit the taking of shellfish until subsequent determination by this office reveals that the shellfish are safe for human consumption.

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A, 75, and 322 CMR 7.01 (7), digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest, collect or the possession of shellfish from the below defined area is prohibited.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

SHELLFISH TRANSPLANT CLOSURE

Status: Closed To Shellfishing

BB:49.20

Barlow's Landing

"The waters and flats of that portion of Pocasset Harbor northeast of a line drawn from the end of the Barlow's Landing pier to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign at the northeast corner of Thatch Island to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on the opposite shoreline."

