



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

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September 30, 2024

Town of Wareham Selectboard  
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Town of Marion Selectboard  
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Marion, MA 02738

Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has re-examined the waters of Weweantic river (BB35.0), in the Towns of Wareham and Marion, classified as "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" and in the "Closed to Shellfishing" status based on seasonal water quality changes. As a result of this examination, the Division has determined that this below defined area now meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish and has changed the status to "Open to Shellfishing" as of sunrise on October 1, 2024.

The below defined area may be opened to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, Section 52.

**CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED**

**SEASONAL STATUS CHANGE**

**Status: Open to Shellfishing**

**October 1 – June 1**

**All Dates Inclusive**

**BB35.0**

**Southern Weweantic River**

“The waters, flats and all tributaries of the Weweantic River, in the Towns of Marion and Wareham, northerly of a line drawn from the south side of the mouth to Great Swamp Brook in the Town of Marion to Cromeset Point in the Town of Wareham and south of a line drawn from the orange panel at the stone jetty at the northern end of #53 Dexter Road in Marion to the orange panel at the end of Marks Cove Road in Wareham.”

The status of the above **CONDITIONALLY APPROVED** area, BB35.0, shall automatically revert to "**Closed to Shellfishing**" on June 1, 2025 unless the Division changes the area status prior to said date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel J. McKiernan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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Daniel J. McKiernan, Director  
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