

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Partial Closure of Public Shellfish Fishery Areas 69 and 81— Effective 12/4/17

The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 08.02.04.11E, announces that two sections of Public Shellfish Fishery Area (PSFA) 69 and one section of PSFA 81 will be closed to all shellfish harvest effective December 4, 2017. The closures were requested by the Queen Anne's County oyster committees to protect planted oyster seed until the sites are suitable for reopening. The closed areas are described below and will be marked by buoys. PSFAs are described in "Public Shellfish Fishery Areas of the Chesapeake Bay and Its Tidal Tributaries (June 2012)", which is incorporated by reference in COMAR 08.02.04.17.

For any questions or comments contact Frank Marengi, Shellfish Division at 410-260-8302.

Hells Delight (PSFA 69 (NOB 5-9): Chester River)

All the waters of the Chester River enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°3.964' N, Long. 76°10.754' W, then running 301° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°4.014' N, Long. 76°10.862' W, then running 27° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°4.120' N, Long. 76°10.794' W, then running 116° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°4.070' N, Long. 76°10.660' W, then running 215° True to the point of beginning.

Piney Point (PSFA 69 (NOB 5-9): Chester River)

All the waters of the Chester River enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°2.679' N, Long. 76°11.598' W, then running 280° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.701' N, Long. 76°11.752' W, then running 7° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.837' N, Long. 76°11.731' W, then running 96° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°2.823' N, Long. 76°11.550' W, kicking then running 195° True to the point of beginning.

Well Cove (PSFA 81 (NOB 7-4): Eastern Bay)

All the waters of the Eastern Bay enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 38°57.634' N, Long. 76°14.404' W, then running 269° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.633' N, Long. 76° 4.570' W, then running 339° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.802' N, Long. 76°14.651' W, then running 89° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.804' N, Long. 76°14.501' W, then running 156° True to the point of beginning.

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