

TOWN OF THOMASTON
P. O. BOX 299
THOMASTON, ME 04861

ANNUAL SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT REVIEW
for the period
January 1st to December 31st, 2005

Town of Warren
Town of S. Thomaston
Town of Cushing
Town of St. George
Town of Thomaston

Municipality: Georges River Regional Date: 12-6-05

The Shellfish Conservation Committee submits the following information in partial fulfillment of its responsibilities under Chapter 7 of the Department of Marine Resources Regulations and the Shellfish Conservation Ordinance of this municipality.

Statement of Management Goals and Implementation Actions

The goals of shellfish management for this municipality have been: (check only one of each pair)

- 1) provide a harvesting opportunity for the maximum number of participants
 maximize individual harvest by minimizing the number of participants
- 2) increase the clam resource through various enhancement activities
 maintain a sustainable yield through the vigorous use of production controls
- 3) provide for recreational harvesting in preference to commercial harvesting
 provide for commercial harvesting in preference to recreational harvesting
- 4) maximize the economic value of the resource by adjusting production
 maintain a constant production to provide a steady but variable income

The following management controls were utilized: (check all that apply)

- limit the number of commercial harvesters
- limit the number of recreational harvesters
- restrict times of harvest
- restrict the areas of harvest
- limit the amount of commercial harvest
- limit the amount of recreational harvest
- other _____

The following management activities were undertaken: (check all that apply)

- predator protection through fencing, netting, trapping and etc.
- reseeding from high density areas or seeding with hatchery stock
- flat surveys to determine size distribution and density
- harvester surveys to obtain catch and effort data
- enhance natural seeding through brushing, roughing and etc.
- establishing conservation areas for flat rotation
- other _____

Shellfish Committee/Staff

Municipality: Georges River Regional

Title	Name	Mailing Address	Telephone
Chair	<u>CARL TAYLOR</u>	<u>876 River Rd. Cushing, ME.</u>	<u>354-6145</u>
Vice Chair	<u>CLIFF WEAVER</u>	<u>71 Beechwood St. Thomaston, ME.</u>	<u>354-2183</u>
Secretary	<u>DAVID SMUBORN</u>	<u>P.O. Box 381, Thomaston, ME. 04861</u>	<u>354-6862</u>
Member(s)	<u>SEE ATTACHMENT</u>		
Selectmen/ Council Rep.	<u>SEE ATTACHMENT</u>		
Wardens	<u>NEIL POLLIS</u>	<u>3393 Herald Highway Union, ME. 04862</u>	<u>785-5404</u>
WQSpec(s)			

Committee Meetings

The Shellfish Committee holds regularly scheduled meetings: yes no

The following number of meetings was held during the past year: 10

Minutes of meetings are recorded, filed and are available upon request: yes no

Conservation Credit

The opportunity to obtain conservation credit is provided: yes no

The total number of conservation hours needed to obtain credit is 10.

Conservation credit is required to obtain a: renewal license

new license

Conservation hours are given for:

- meeting attendance
- committee service
- educational activities
- coastal cleanup
- surveys
- reseedling
- brushing
- predator control
- _____

If conservation credit is not provided, the total number of volunteer man-hours documented for management activities during the past year is N/A.

GEORGES RIVER SHELLFISH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Cushing, Me. 04563
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Secretary	Christine Luce 207-273-2421	home 207-845-2229

S. Thomaston
 S. George, Thomaston
 Municipality: Cushing, Friendship

Summary of Warden Activities

Hours Patrolled: 1560
 Diggers Checked: 2153
 Warnings Given: 12
 Summon Issued: 26
 Court Appearances: 15
 Convictions: 22

Enforcement of the shellfish management ordinance has been: satisfactory unsatisfactory

Enforcement could be improved by: more hours patrolled better training
 more wardens greater state support
 better equipment other _____

The warden is provided with a written job description: yes no

Production Data Collected by the Warden

Month	Avg. Daily Catch/Digger		Avg. # of Diggers/Day		Total # of Days Dug	=	Total Lbs or Bushels	
January	1.4	X	11	X	31	=	477.4	
February	1.3		13		28		473.2	
March	2.3		14		31		998.2	
April	2.3		12		17		469.2	
May	2.3		9		21		434.7	
June	3.1		9		20		558.0	
July	2.1		31		31		2018.1	
August	2.4		38		31		2827.2	
September	1.3		11		30		429.0	
October	N/A		N/A		N/A		Flats Closed	
November	1.5		15		30		675	
December	1.3		11		31		443.3	
TOTAL								9803.3

Warden(s)

Warden(s)	Training Date	Nomination Date
Neil Pollis	3-05	3-05

Saint George
Thomaston, S Thomaston

Shellfish Conservation Budget

Municipality: Warren, Cushing

License Receipts	Allocation	Sold	Received
Commercial			
Resident	107	107	\$ 21,400 -
Nonresident	11	11	\$ 4,400 -
Senior Resident	-	-	\$ -
Senior Nonresident	-	-	\$ -
Junior/Student Resident	9	9	\$ 900 -
Junior/Student Nonresident	1	1	\$ 200 -
Other	-	-	\$ -
Recreational			
Resident	unlimited	206	\$ 3090 -
Nonresident	10:1 per Ratio	18	\$ 540 -
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Res.	unlimited	0	\$ 0
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Nonres.	unlimited	2	\$ 40. -
Senior Resident <i>over 65</i>	unlimited	33 33	\$ 3300 Complimentary
Senior Nonresident	-	-	\$ -
Junior/Student Resident <i>under 12</i>	unlimited	3	\$ Complimentary
Junior/Student Nonresident	-	-	\$ -
Other			\$ -
SUBTOTAL (1)			\$ 30570 -
Receipts Independent of License Fees			
Shellfish Conservation Account Carried Forward			\$ 0
Funds Raised for Warden			\$ 0
Funds Raised for Management Activities			\$ 0
Fines			\$ 1746.00
Other			\$ 0
SUBTOTAL (2)			\$ 1746.00
TOTAL Receipts (1+2)			\$ 32316.00
Disbursements			
Warden Salary			\$ 24,760.25
Mileage			\$ 0
Clothing			\$ 0
Equipment			\$ 0
Training			\$ 0
SUBTOTAL (3)			\$ 24760.25
Advertising			\$ 0
Supplies			\$ 88.81
Surveys			\$ 0
Seeding			\$ 0
Miscellaneous			\$ 2898.40
SUBTOTAL (4)			\$ 2987.21
TOTAL Disbursements (3+4)			\$ 27747.46

Proposed Management Controls

Municipality: Georges River Regional

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Proposed Shellfish Licenses

<u>License</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost @</u>
<i>Commercial</i>		
Resident	<u>107</u>	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Nonresident	<u>11</u>	<u>\$ 400.00</u>
Senior Resident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Senior Nonresident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Junior/Student Resident	<u>9</u>	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
Junior/Student Nonresident	<u>1</u>	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Other	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
<i>Recreational</i>		
Resident	<u>Unlimited</u>	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
Nonresident	<u>per ratio</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
Daily/Weekly Monthly Res.	<u>Unlimited</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Daily/Weekly Monthly Nonres.	<u>per ratio</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Senior Resident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Senior Nonresident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Junior/Student Resident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Junior/Student Nonresident	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Other	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

- License number determination is based upon:
- calculation using survey data
 - survey data as a guide
 - harvester input
 - need/demand

The above numbers are:

- tentative, the actual numbers to be determined later
- firm, have been or will be submitted to DMR

Proposed Management Activities

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In order to implement these management activities the committee will utilize: (check all that apply)

- harvesters vested with conservation credit
- harvester volunteers
- paid harvesters
- municipal employees
- paid consultants
- other _____

To provide a forum for harvester input in management planning, the shellfish committee plans to meet:

- annually
- biannually
- quarterly
- bimonthly
- monthly

Meeting notification for other than regularly scheduled meetings is by:

- mailing
- phone call
- posting
- newspaper
- word of mouth

In order to keep the DMR informed and to solicit advice on management activities, the shellfish committee will:

- request the area biologist to participate in all meetings
- request the area biologist to participate in only specific meetings
- invite the area biologist to attend all meetings
- invite the area biologist to attend only specific meetings

Summary of Transplant Activities

Municipality: Georges River Regional

The following seeding / reseeding activities were conducted during the past year.

No seeding / reseeding activities were conducted.

	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4
Date (m/d)	5-15-05	5-16-05	6-12-05	6-13-05
Supervisor	MIKE STATTETT	PAUL PRIOR	ABDEN SIMMONS	TIM WILSON
Crew #	30	17	22	6
Amount	12 BU.	5 1/2 BU	6 1/2 BU	4 BU
Mean Size (in)	1/4"	1/8"	3/4"	1/4"
Size Range (in)	1/8" - 3/4"	1/16" - 1/2"	1/2" - 1 1/4"	1/16" - 3/4"
Source Hatchery				
Source Flat	SALT Pond	SALT Pond	SALT Pond	SALT Pond
Receiv. Flat	MCKLIN COVE	MCKLIN COVE	MCKLIN COVE	MCKLIN COVE
Flat Prep (y/n)	N	N	N	N
Netted (y/n)	N	N	N	N
Closed until	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Event 5	Event 6	Event 7	Event 8
Date	9-11-05	9-12-05	9-25-05	9-26-05
Supervisor	TONY WIMMERBACH	DAN SIMMONS	ALLISON WILSON	PAUL WILSON
Crew #	45	2	30	29
Amount	12 BU	1/2 BU	6 BU.	5 BU.
Mean Size (in)	1/2"	1/2"	3/4"	1/2"
Size Range (in)	1/8" - 3/4"	1/8" - 1"	1/2" - 1 3/4"	1/4" - 1 3/4"
Source Hatchery				
Source Flat	SMITHS (INSIDE)	SMITHS (IN)	SALT Pond	SALT Pond
Receiv. Flat	SMITHS (OUTSIDE)	SMITHS (OUT)	MARTINS	MARTINS
Flat Prep (y/n)	Y	N	N	N
Netted (y/n)	N	N	N	N
Closed until	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Conservation Closures and Openings

Municipality: Georges River Regional

Summary of Closures

The following is a list of conservation closures implemented or in effect during the past year.

No conservation areas were closed. (This table is for areas normally open.)

Conservation Area	Acreage	Closing Date	Opening Date	Days Closed*	Reason
Cuther Cove	131 WATER MUD	6-1-05	11-1 OR RAIN CLOSURE IN AREA	99	FLAT ROTATION CLOSURE IN AREA 27

*during 2005

Summary of Openings

The following is a list of conservation openings implemented or in effect during the past year.

No conservation areas were opened. (This table is for areas normally closed.)

Conservation Area	Acreage	Opening Date	Closing Date	Days Open*	Reason

*during 2005

Additional Activities

Municipality: Georges River Regional

Spatfall Enhancement

The following is a list of activities to promote clam settlement such as brushing, flat roughing, tenting or netting. No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description

Predator Protection

The following is a list of activities to protect clams from predators such as trapping, netting and hand collecting. No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description

Other Activities

The following is a list of other activities that benefit, directly or indirectly, the management program such as educational projects, participation in regional councils and shoreline cleanup. No such activities were conducted.

Location	Date	Description
Lower ST. Geo. River	6-19	2+ TRUCK ^{SHORELINE CLEANUP} LOADS, ASSORTED ITEMS LAWN CHAIR
AUGUSTA	N/A	ONE MEMBER ON CLAM ADVISORY COUNCIL
UPPER ST. GEO. RIVER	10-31	3 P/U LOADS, TIRES, PROPANE TANK, ETC, ^{SHORELINE} CLEANUP
SANASET-ROCKPORT	2-?	WARDEN ATTENDED FISHERMENS FORUM