

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

Municipality: Rockport Date: 02/06/2006

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 No areas open for harvesting

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

- predator protection through fencing, netting, trapping and etc.
- reseedling 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 None this year

Shellfish Committee/Staff

Municipality: Rockport

Title	Name	Mailing Address	Telephone
Chair	<u>Vacant</u>		
Vice Chair			
Secretary			
Member(s)			
Selectmen/ Council Rep.			
Wardens			
WQSpec(s)			

Robert A. Peabody, Jr., Town Manager, Town of Rockport

**Committee Meetings**

The Shellfish Committee holds regularly scheduled meetings:  yes  no

The following number of meetings was held during the past year: 0

Minutes of meetings are recorded, filed and are available upon request:  yes  no  
(when held)

**Conservation Credit**

The opportunity to obtain conservation credit is provided:  yes  no

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

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
- reseeding
- 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 0.

**Summary of Warden Activities**

Municipality: Rockport

Hours Patrolled: 0  
 Diggers Checked: 0  
 Warnings Given: 0  
 Summon Issued: 0  
 Court Appearances: 0  
 Convictions: 0

No warden designated,  
 no activity & no open  
 areas

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 not needed

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

**Production Data Collected by the Warden** N/A

Month	Avg. Daily Catch/Digger		Avg. # of Diggers/Day		Total # of Days Dug	=	Total Lbs or Bushels
January	<u>0</u>	X	<u>0</u>	X	<u>0</u>	=	<u>0</u>
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
					TOTAL		

Warden(s) None Training Date \_\_\_\_\_ Nomination Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Shellfish Conservation Budget**

**Municipality:** \_\_\_\_\_

License Receipts	Allocation	Sold	Received
<i>Commercial</i>			
Resident	N/A	N/A	\$ 0
Nonresident	↓	↓	↓
Senior Resident			
Senior Nonresident			
Junior/Student Resident			
Junior/Student Nonresident			
Other			
<i>Recreational</i>			
Resident	None	None	\$ 0
Nonresident	None	None	↓
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Res.	N/A	N/A	
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Nonres.	↓	↓	
Senior Resident			
Senior Nonresident			
Junior/Student Resident			
Junior/Student Nonresident			
Other			
SUBTOTAL (1)			
<b>Receipts Independent of License Fees</b>			
Shellfish Conservation Account Carried Forward			\$ 0
Funds Raised for Warden			↓
Funds Raised for Management Activities			
Fines			
Other			
SUBTOTAL (2)			
TOTAL Receipts (1+2)			
<b>Disbursements</b>			
Warden Salary			\$ 0
Mileage			↓
Clothing			
Equipment			
Training			
SUBTOTAL (3)			
Advertising			\$ 0
Supplies			↓
Surveys			
Seeding			
Miscellaneous			
SUBTOTAL (4)			
TOTAL Disbursements (3+4)			



**Proposed Management Controls**

Municipality: Rockport

The following management controls will be utilized for the coming year: (check all that apply)

- limit the number of commercial harvesters *N/A - no commercial fishery*
- 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Shellfish Licenses**

<u>License</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost @</u>
<i>Commercial</i>		
Resident	0	\$ 0
Nonresident	↓	\$ ↓
Senior Resident	↓	\$ ↓
Senior Nonresident	↓	\$ ↓
Junior/Student Resident	↓	\$ ↓
Junior/Student Nonresident	↓	\$ ↓
Other	↓	\$ ↓
<i>Recreational</i>		
Resident	0	\$ 25.00
Nonresident	0	\$ 50.00
Daily/Weekly Monthly Res.	↓	\$ ↓
Daily/Weekly Monthly Nonres.	↓	\$ ↓
Senior Resident	↓	\$ ↓
Senior Nonresident	↓	\$ ↓
Junior/Student Resident	↓	\$ ↓
Junior/Student Nonresident	↓	\$ ↓
Other	↓	\$ ↓

- 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**

**Municipality:** Rockport

The following management activities will be undertaken during the coming year: (check all that apply)

- predator protection through fencing, netting, trapping and etc.
- reseeded from high density areas or 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 Monitoring of Water Quality

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 Volunteers

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  
e-mail
- phone call
- posting  
& website of the Town  
& Channel 22-Government Access Channel
- 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: Rockport

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)				
Supervisor				
Crew #				
Amount				
Mean Size (in)				
Size Range (in)				
Source Hatchery				
Source Flat				
Receiv. Flat				
Flat Prep (y/n)				
Netted (y/n)				
Closed until				
	Event 5	Event 6	Event 7	Event 8
Date				
Supervisor				
Crew #				
Amount				
Mean Size (in)				
Size Range (in)				
Source Hatchery				
Source Flat				
Receiv. Flat				
Flat Prep (y/n)				
Netted (y/n)				
Closed until				



**Additional Activities**

Municipality: Rockport

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