

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

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October 29, 2021

Board of Selectmen Town of Chilmark Town Hall Chilmark, MA 02535

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has re-examined the waters of Stonewall Pond (V:3.1), in the Town of Chilmark, classified as "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" and in the "CLOSED" 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 November 1, 2021.

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 November 1 – July 31 [All Dates Inclusive]

V:3.1 Stonewall Pond

"The waters, flats, and all tributaries of Nashaquitsa Pond and Stonewall Pond, in the Town of Chilmark, southeasterly of a line drawn from the southern end of the 'Quitsa Landing boat ramp, northwesterly to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on the opposite shore."

The status of the above Conditionally Approved area, V:3.1, shall automatically revert to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING" on August 1, 2022 unless the Division changes the area status prior to said date.

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Sincerely,

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