

Update Notice of End of Illness Closure – California

February 6, 2019 Update Notice:

The Tomales Bay growing areas remained closed for a minimum 21 days after the norovirus illness outbreak closure that occurred January 3, 2019. Revised illness outbreak closure dates were established after the January 17 notice. Lifting of the outbreak closure occurred on January 25 for implicated lease 430-04, January 28 for implicated leases M-430-10, M-430-11, and M-430-12, and January 24 for all other leases in the bay.

No product associated with the outbreak was distributed out of state.

Vanessa Zubkousky-White
Senior Environmental Scientist
California Department of Public Health
Preharvest Shellfish Program
850 Marina Bay Pkwy., G165
Richmond, CA 94804
Phone (510) 412-4635
vanessa.zubkousky@cdph.ca.gov

January 17, 2019 Notice:

CDPH Environmental Management Branch has received laboratory results from the Food and Drug Laboratory reporting that the oyster meats collected on January 4th, 2019 from Leases M-430-10, M-430-11, and M-430-12 were negative for norovirus. CDPH is therefore lifting the illness closure for Tomales Bay as of today January 17, 2019 at 12:49 PM.

All Tomales Bay growing areas remain closed to harvest due to rainfall.

Sam Rankin
Environmental Scientist
California Department of Public Health
Environmental Management Branch
Preharvest Shellfish Unit
850 Marina Bay Parkway, G-165
Richmond, CA 94804
(510) 412-4633
Sam.Rankin@cdph.ca.gov