

State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

CHRIS CHRISTIE

Governor

KIM GUADAGNO Lt. Governor BOB MARTIN Commissioner

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2015-12

Pursuant to statutory authority granted to the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.S.A. 58:24-2, and to ensure that the public health is not at risk from the consumption of shellfish that may have been subjected to pollution or other conditions that may render the shellfish dangerous to health, by Administrative Order 2015-11 signed by me on October 2, 2015, effective immediately after sunset on October 2, 2015, the Department closed all waters of the State to shellfish harvest because of potentially degraded water quality resulting from a nor'easter predicted to impact the State during October 2 through 4, 2015.

The Department has determined that the coastal waters of New Jersey are safe for the harvesting of certain shellfish in accordance with the Shellfish Growing Water Classification rules at N.J.A.C. 7:12.

Accordingly, the Department hereby returns all waters of the State to their prior classification and opens them to all shellfish harvesting in accordance with their classification.

Current shellfish classification maps of New Jersey's coastal waters are available at http://www.state.nj.us/dep/wms/bmw/waterclass.htm.

Administrative Order Number 2015-11 signed by me on October 2, 2015, is hereby superseded and repealed.

This Order shall take effect at sunset (6:37 P.M.) on October 5, 2015

Dated:

Bob Martin, Commissioner