Shellfish Growing Areas Closed for Commercial Harvest by DOH

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This report is provided by the Washington State Department of Health, Office of Environmental Health and Safety as a service to the shellfish industry and partner agencies. The growing area closures listed below are for commercial harvest only – not for recreational harvest. These closures are temporary and do not represent changes in growing area classification.

Recently Closed Growing Areas

BURLEY LAGOON GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/15/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portion of Burley Lagoon has been closed due to 1.07 inches of rain at the Rocky Creek Rain Gage.

FILUCY BAY GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/16/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portion of Filucy Bay has been closed due to 1.07 inches of rain at the Rocky Creek Rain Gage.

NORTH BAY GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/15/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portions of North Bay have been closed due to 1.07 inches of rain at the Rocky Creek Rain Gage.

OAKLAND BAY GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/15/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portion of Oakland Bay has been closed due to 1.22 inches of rain at the Taylor United FLUPSY.

ROCKY BAY GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/15/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portion of Rocky Bay has been closed due to 1.07 inches of rain at the Rocky Creek Rain Gage.

VAUGHN BAY GROWING AREA
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 10/10/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 10/15/2020
   The Conditionally Approved portion of Vaughn Bay has been closed due to 1.07 inches of rain at the Rocky Creek Rain Gage.

Growing Areas With Ongoing Closures

ANNAS BAY GROWING AREA IN MASON COUNTY
   Closure for: All Species
   Closure Date: 05/01/2020       Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE       Re-opens on: 12/01/2020
The Conditionally Approved portion of Annas Bay around Hood Canal Marina (at Union) is seasonally closed from May 1 through November 30 each year.

**BAINBRIDGE SOUTH GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** Geoducks  
  **Geoduck Tract Number:** 07850 - Restoration Point  
  **Closure Date:** 09/11/2017  
  **Closure Reason:** BIOTOXIN  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The PSP result on 9/11/17 was 128 micrograms of toxin.

**DISCOVERY BAY GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** Geoducks  
  **Closure Date:** 10/02/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** BIOTOXIN  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The PSP result on 10/2/20 was 205 micrograms of toxin.

**EAST STRAITS GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** Geoducks  
  **Geoduck Tract Number:** 00320 - DUNGENESS WEST  
  **Closure Date:** 05/11/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** BIOTOXIN  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The PSP result on 05/11/20 was 97 micrograms of toxin.

**HARSTINE EAST GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** All Species  
  **Closure Date:** 08/27/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** EMERGENCY CLOSURE  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  Based on issues with the outfall at the Harstene Pointe WWTP, 3,000 ft along the northeast shoreline of the island within the Harstine East Growing Area including Geoduck Tract 15500 (Dougall Point) is closed for commercial shellfish harvest.

**HOOD CANAL #3 GROWING AREA IN JEFFERSON COUNTY**

- **Closure for:** All Species  
  **Closure Date:** 05/01/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** CONDITIONAL CLOSURE  
  **Re-opens on:** 11/01/2020  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The Conditionally Approved portion of Hood Canal 3 Growing Area at the mouth of the Duckabush River is closed from May 1st through October 31st, based on seasonal water quality conditions.

**KALALOCH GROWING AREA IN JEFFERSON COUNTY**

- **Closure for:** All Species  
  **Closure Date:** 09/01/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** CONDITIONAL CLOSURE  
  **Re-opens on:** 12/31/2020  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The Conditionally Approved portion of the Kalaloch Growing Area is closed from September 1 through December 31, based on seasonal water quality conditions.

**LOPEZ SOUND GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** Scallop  
  **Closure Date:** 03/04/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** BIOTOXIN  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  The PSP toxin result on 03/04/20 was 147 micrograms in pink scallops.

**MYSTERY BAY GROWING AREA**

- **Closure for:** Manila Clams  
  **Closure Date:** 07/27/2020  
  **Closure Reason:** BIOTOXIN  
  **Closed Until Further Notice**

  Update 8/19/20: The biotoxin closure for oysters has been lifted. Manila clams remain closed due to elevated levels of PSP toxin.

  The PSP result was 547 micrograms of toxin in pacific oysters on 7/27/20 and 143 micrograms of PSP toxin on 7/24/20.

**PORT GAMBLE GROWING AREA**
Closure for: All Species
Closure Date: 08/25/2020  Closure Reason: BIOTOXIN  Closed Until Further Notice
Update 9/22/20: The biotoxin closure has been lifted for the Gravel Plot harvest area. All other harvest locations remain closed due to elevated levels of PSP toxin.

Update 8/26/20: The PSP result was 240 micrograms of toxin in oysters on 8/26/20.
The PSP result was 444 micrograms of toxin in manila clams on 8/25/20.

PORTAGE BAY GROWING AREA IN WHATCOM COUNTY
Closure for: All Species
Closure Date: 10/01/2020  Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE  Re-opens on: 12/31/2020
The Conditionally Approved portion of Portage Bay will be closed from October 1st through December 31st, based on seasonal water quality conditions.

POVERTY BAY GROWING AREA IN KING AND PIERCE COUNTIES
Closure for: All Species
Closure Date: 06/01/2020  Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE  Re-opens on: 12/01/2020
The Conditionally Approved portion of Poverty Bay will be closed from June 1st through November 30th, based on seasonal water quality conditions.

QUILCENE BAY GROWING AREA
Closure for: Mussels
Closure Date: 08/27/2020  Closure Reason: BIOTOXIN  Closed Until Further Notice
The PSP result was 101 micrograms of toxin in mussels on 8/27/20.

SAMISH BAY GROWING AREA
Closure for: Geoducks
Closure Date: 07/30/2019  Closure Reason: BIOTOXIN  Closed Until Further Notice
This closure was updated on 9/11/19 to closed to geoduck clams only. Previously this closure was changed on 8/28/19 to an all species closure due to a PSP toxin result of 104 micrograms in oysters and 489 micrograms of toxin in geoduck clams. The PSP toxin result on 07/30/19 was 118 micrograms in geoduck clams.

Recently Opened Growing Areas

ANNAS BAY GROWING AREA
Closure for: All Species
Closure Date: 09/25/2020  Closure Reason: CONDITIONAL CLOSURE  Re-opened on: 10/03/2020
The Conditionally Approved portion of Annas Bay (Skokomish River delta) is closed on 9/25/2020 at 11:00 AM to commercial shellfish harvest due to the Skokomish River exceeding 15.0 feet.
The Conditionally Approved portion of Annas Bay (Skokomish River delta) will open for shellfish harvesting on 10/3/2020 at 6:45 AM.

PORT GAMBLE GROWING AREA
Closure for: Geoducks  Geoduck Tract Number: 20100 - Port Gamble Inside
Closure Date: 08/25/2020  Closure Reason: BIOTOXIN  Re-opened on: 10/05/2020
The PSP result on 08/25/20 was 169 micrograms of toxin.

POVERTY BAY GROWING AREA
Closure for: All Species
Closure Date: 09/14/2020  Closure Reason: EMERGENCY CLOSURE  Re-opened on: 10/05/2020
For more information about commercial closures, please contact: Washington State Department of Health, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, (360) 236-3330.

The Approved portion of Poverty Bay at McSorley Creek, including Geoduck Tract 09950, is closed due to a sewage spill into the south fork of McSorley Creek.