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DMR Announces the Following:

On September 30, 2016, the Department of Marine Resources received Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning (ASP) scores from mussel and clam samples collected throughout eastern Maine. These samples were collected in response to a widespread and abundant bloom of the phytoplankton Pseudo-nitzschia which causes ASP. DMR is initiating a recall of mussels and mahogany quahogs harvested or wet stored in the Jonesport area from September 25th through September 30th. DMR is also initiating a recall of clams harvested in the area from Cranberry Point, Corea to Cow Point, Roque Bluffs from September 28th through September 30th. These recalls are being initiated in response to ASP scores exceeding the established threshold of 20 ppm. All dealers are instructed to follow their existing recall procedures, report product recalled and companies involved to DMR; all product should be destroyed.

Please visit the DMR webpage for the complete text of the shellfish closure(s) and a map. <u>http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/hotline.html</u>