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### Public Notice of the Re-Opening of Waters to Shellfish Harvest, Barnegat Bay

Pursuant to N.J.A.C 7:12-1.4(a) and the statutory authority granted the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.S.A. 58:24-2, the Department shall immediately suspend harvest in areas impacted by an intermittent pollution episode or emergency condition when the event has or may have a deleterious impact on public health. The Department suspended harvest of shellfish in 112 acres of waters in Barnegat Bay, Ocean County on October 12, 2018 to assure that public health was not at risk from the consumption of shellfish which may have been subjected to an intermittent pollution episode from the release of secondary treated effluent from a leak in the Ocean County Utilities Authority - Central Water Pollution Control Facility's outfall pipe.

The Department has determined through monitoring of shellfish tissue that the Approved waters of Barnegat Bay located in an area originating from a point at 74°7'14.88"W, 39°54'30.96"N heading east to a point at 74°6'30.24"W, 39°54'30.60"N, then heading south to a point 74°6'30.24"W, 39°54'18.72"N, then heading west to a point at 74°7'28.20"W, 39°54'18.72"N and then heading northeast back to the original point at 74°7'14.88"W, 39°54'30.96"N are now safe for the harvesting of shellfish in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:12 and the National Shellfish Sanitation Program. The suspension is lifted and the waters are returned to their prior classification, effective immediately.

DATE: December 13, 2018

  
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Water Resources Management

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(Crosshatch Represents Those Areas Being Re-Opened)

