



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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NOTICE AND DESCRIPTION OF SHELLFISH AREA CONDEMNATION NUMBER 030-179, MEACHIM CREEK

EFFECTIVE 15 OCTOBER 2025

Pursuant to Title 28.2, Chapter 8, §§ 28.2-803 through 28.2-808, § 32.1-20, and § 2.2-4002, B.16 of the Code of Virginia:

1. The "Notice and Description of Shellfish Area Condemnation Number 030-179, Meachim Creek," effective 15 September 2024, is cancelled effective 15 October 2025.
2. Condemned Shellfish Area Number 030-179, shown as Sections A and B, is hereby established effective 15 October 2025. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to take shellfish from these areas for any purpose, except by permit granted by the Marine Resources Commission, as provided in § 28.2-810 of the Code of Virginia. The boundaries of these areas are shown on the map titled "Meachim Creek, Condemned Shellfish Area Number 030-179, 15 October 2025" which is part of this notice.
3. Conditionally Approved Shellfish Area (Seasonally Closed Status) Number 030-179, shown as Section M1, is hereby established effective 15 October 2025, and shall remain in force annually thereafter for the period beginning the first day of April through the last day of October until rescinded. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to take shellfish from this area during such period for any purpose while in the closed status, except by permit granted by the Marine Resources Commission, as provided in § 28.2-810 of the Code of Virginia. The boundaries of this area are shown on the map titled "Meachim Creek, Condemned Shellfish Area Number 030-179, 15 October 2025" which is part of this notice.
4. Seasonally Condemned Shellfish Number 030-179, shown as Sections S35, S214 and S215, is hereby established effective 15 October 2025, and shall remain in force annually thereafter for the period beginning the first day of April through the last day of October until rescinded. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to take shellfish from these areas during such period for any purpose, except by permit granted by the Marine Resources Commission, as provided in § 28.2-810 of the Code of Virginia. The boundaries of these areas are shown on the map titled "Meachim Creek, Condemned Shellfish Area Number 030-179, 15 October 2025" which is part of this notice.
5. The Department of Health will receive, consider and respond to petitions by any interested person at any time with respect to reconsideration or revision of this order.

BOUNDARIES OF CONDEMNED AREA NUMBER 030-179

- A. The condemned area shall include that portion of Meachim Creek and its tributaries upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'14.1", -76°27'36.5") to map coordinate (37°36'11.9", -76°27'32.4").
- B. The condemned area shall include that portion of the unnamed tributary of Meachim Creek upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'30.8", -76°27'11.9") to map coordinate (37°36'27.0", -76°27'11.8").
- M1. The conditionally approved area (seasonally closed status) shall include all of the unnamed tributary of the Rappahannock River east of Meachim Creek upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'44.1", -76°26'49.4") to map coordinate (37°36'42.7", -76°26'40.9").
- S35. The seasonally condemned area shall include that portion of Meachim Creek and its tributaries upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'25.3", -76°27'32.8") to map coordinate (37°36'24.9", -76°27'27.5"); but excludes the area defined as Section A.
- S214. The seasonally condemned area shall include that portion of the unnamed tributary of Meachim Creek upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'33.4", -76°27'22.9") to map coordinate (37°36'34.5", -76°27'17.0"); but excludes the area defined as Section B.
- S215. The seasonally condemned area shall include all of the unnamed western most tributary of Meachim Creek upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (37°36'36.3", -76°27'35.6") to map coordinate (37°36'31.3", -76°27'36.7").

Recommended by: *Danielle Schools*
Danielle Schools (Oct 2, 2025 15:04:37 EDT)

Director, Division of Shellfish Safety

Ordered by: *Julie Henderson*
Julie Henderson (Oct 3, 2025 17:04:04 EDT)

Director, Office of Environmental Health Services

Oct 3, 2025

Date

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