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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE  
DECLARATION OF FISHERIES DELAY  
DUE TO A PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT  
CAUSED BY ELEVATED LEVELS OF DOMOIC ACID IN RAZOR CLAMS

Pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 5523, I find and declare that

I.

On December 16, 2021, the Director of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment in consultation with the State Public Health Officer at the California Department of Public Health determined that razor clams in state waters of Del Norte County pose a human health risk due to elevated levels of domoic acid and recommended to close the recreational razor clam fishery in the affected area.

II.

**THEREFORE**, under the authority granted by Fish and Game Code Section 5523, I am closing the recreational razor clam fishery in state waters of Del Norte County.

The closure will remain in place until I am notified by the public health agencies named above, that a health hazard regarding razor clams no longer exists.

Charlton H. Bonham, Director

12.16.2021 2:25 pm PT

Date/Time