



April 2, 2024

Mr. Joshua Kurtz, Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Tawes State Office Building
580 Taylor Avenue
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Secretary Kurtz:

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has determined by appropriate investigation in the area described below that these waters are polluted so that shellfish produced or stored in this area are a hazard to public health. Therefore, pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, Natural Resources Article § 4-742, MDE hereby reclassifies the area described below as restricted for the harvesting of shellfish **effective April 15, 2024**.

Mill Creek, Patuxent River, St. Mary's County (40A1)

All the waters of Mill Creek upstream of a line running in a southeasterly direction beginning at a point of land on the west side of Mills Creek (38°20'12.4" North Latitude, 76°30'19.1" West Longitude) to a point of land on the east side of Mill Creek (38°20'02.0" North Latitude, 76°30'01.9" West Longitude).

St. Leonard Creek, Patuxent River, Calvert County (40S)

All the waters of St. Leonard Creek upstream of a line running in a northeasterly direction beginning at a point of land on the western shore of St. Leonard Creek (38°24'02.8" North Latitude, 76°29'14.8" West Longitude) to a point of land on the eastern shore of St. Leonard Creek (38°24'06.4" North Latitude, 76°28'59.3" West Longitude).

The following area will remain conditionally approved to shellfish harvesting:

Cuckold Creek, Nat Creek, and Mill Creek, Patuxent River, St. Mary's County (40A)

All of the waters of Cuckold, Nat and Mill Creek's upstream of a line running in a southerly direction from a point of land (38°20'39.1" North Latitude, 76°29'47.2" West Longitude) at Half Pone Point to a point of land (38°20'11.5" North Latitude, 76°29'45.5" West Longitude) on the opposite shore and downstream of a line running in an easterly direction from a point of land (38°20'51.1" North Latitude, 76°30'24.0" West Longitude) on the west side of Cuckold Creek to a point of land (38°20'51.5" North Latitude, 76°30'13.7" West Longitude) on the east side of Cuckold Creek and downstream of a line running in an southeasterly direction beginning at a point of land on

the west side of Mills Creek (38°20'12.4" North Latitude, 76°30'19.1" West Longitude) to a point of land on the east side of Mill Creek (38°20'02.0" North Latitude, 76°30'01.9" West Longitude).

Effective Date: October 15, 1987

Continued Date: November 4, 2002, and April 15, 2024

The following area will remain restricted to shellfish harvesting:

Cuckold Creek, Patuxent River, St. Mary's County (40P)

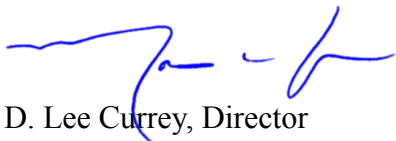
All of the waters of Cuckold Creek upstream of a line running in an easterly direction from a point of land (38°20'51.1" North Latitude, 76°30'24.0" West Longitude) on the west side of Cuckold Creek to a point of land (38°20'51.5" North Latitude, 76°30'13.7" West Longitude) on the east side of Cuckold Creek.

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A map of this area is attached.

Sincerely,

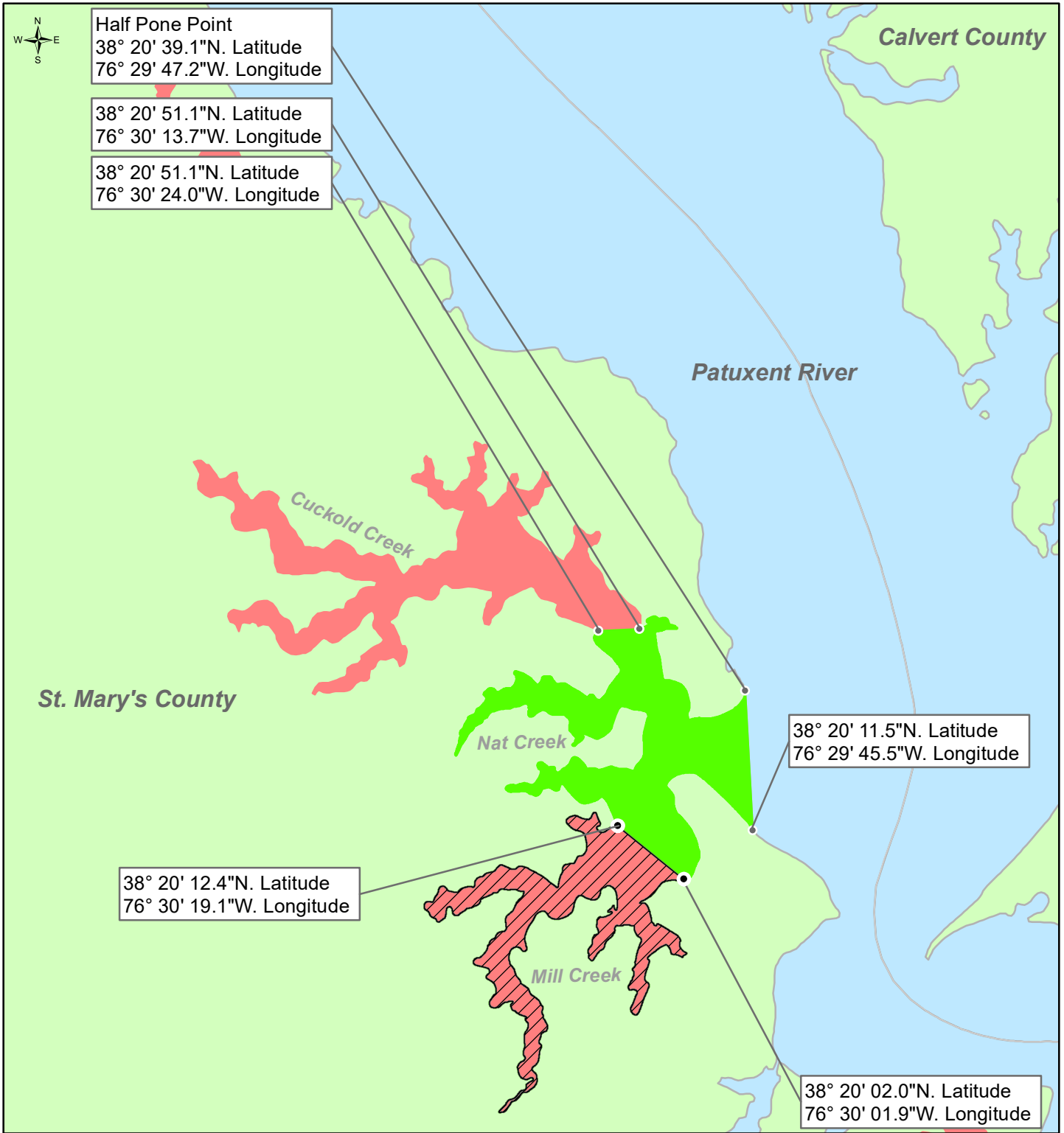


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Attachment

cc: (see attached list)

Notice of Changes to Shellfish Waters



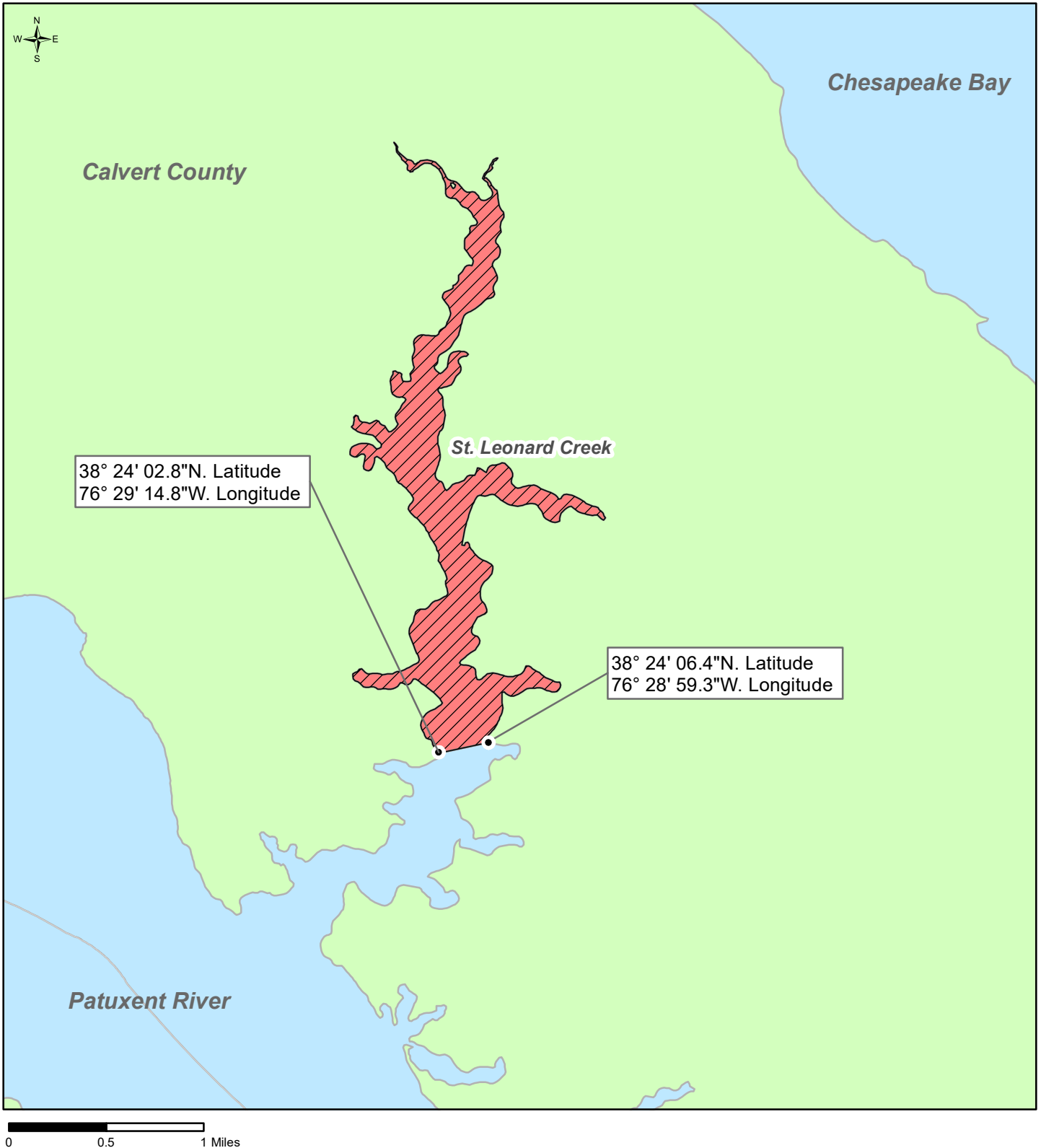
Mill Creek, Patuxent River, St. Mary's County
Prohibited Shellfish Area Map 40A1
April 2024

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-  Remains Restricted By This Letter





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Aruna Miller, Lieutenant Governor
Serena C. McIlwain, Secretary

Notice of Changes to Shellfish Waters



St. Leonard Creek, Patuxent River, Calvert County
Prohibited Shellfish Area Map 40S
April 2024

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