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## THE 2015 BRISTOL HARBOR VOLUNTEER QUAHOG TRANSPLANT IS SCHEDULED FOR: TUESDAY MAY 12, 2015

Shellfishermen that participate in the program will harvest the quahogs from closed sections of Bristol Harbor. The shellfishermen will then transport the quahogs to the Bristol Harbor Shellfish Management Area, and dump the clams directly from their own vessel.

- The transplant will operate from the Independence Park Boat Ramp in Bristol and will take place between 8 a.m. and noon.
- Shellfishermen wishing to take part in the transplant should report to the on-scene DEM enforcement patrol boat by 8 a.m. on the day of the transplant. The officers will collect licenses of all those participating.
- Transplanted shellfish will be unavailable for harvest until December 2015.