

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY

February 16, 2017

Advisories extended for eastern Kitsap and Bainbridge Island shorelines

Advisories for Port Washington Narrows, Dyes and Sinclair Inlets lifted

KITSAP COUNTY, WA —The Washington State Department of Health has extended the existing shellfish harvesting closure along Bainbridge Island and a portion of the eastern shoreline of Kitsap County for at least seven days due to a partial bypass that occurred at the West Point Treatment Plant in Seattle overnight. The Kitsap Public Health District has also extended the no-contact advisory for the same area until further notice.

The advisories include the eastern shoreline of Bainbridge Island, including all bays & inlets, and the eastern shoreline of Kitsap County between Jefferson Point and Restoration Point, including Port Madison Bay.

Additional water sampling is being done, with results expected next week. For information on this spill, visit the King County Natural Resources & Parks Wastewater Treatment [incident response webpage](#).

During a no-contact advisory, the public is advised to avoid contact with the water in the affected area. This means no swimming, wading, or types of water recreation or play where water could be swallowed or get in the mouth, nose or eyes. People should also avoid direct skin contact if possible, and immediately wash with soap and water if they have exposure to the water. A “frequently asked questions” document about no-contact advisories is available on the District’s website at www.kitsappublichealth.org/beaches.

Port Washington Narrows, Sinclair Inlet and Dyes Inlet advisories lifted

The no-contact advisory for Port Washington Narrows, Sinclair Inlet and Dyes Inlet has been lifted. This advisory was originally issued due to a City of Bremerton Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) on February 6. It was extended on February 9 due to two additional CSOs caused by heavy rainfall. For more information on CSOs, visit the City of Bremerton [web site](#).

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Kitsap Public Health provides information on shellfish harvesting, beach closures and other public health topics via the District's website, Facebook page, and the Kitsap Electronic Notification System (KENS). Sign-up at www.kitsappublichealth.org/subscribe.

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