

# Biotoxin Update - Lax Kw'alaams Fisheries

2020 10 26 Biotoxin Update (1) – Mussel samples only

## General Information



Area openings are dependent upon regular submission and analysis of samples for biotoxin analysis, as set out in a biotoxin monitoring protocol administered by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

Three consecutive mussel samples, along with a sample of the targeted food species containing acceptable levels of biotoxin must be received in order for CFIA to recommend lifting a harvest restriction in an area. CFIA will recommend lifting the biotoxin prohibition and a harvest site can then be considered by DFO for fisheries openings. Once an area is open, on-going submission of mussel samples is required to maintain the opening. CFIA will recommend closure of the harvest area to DFO if there is a lapse in sample submissions or if unacceptable levels of toxin are detected (>80 ug STXdiHCl eq/100g; >20 ppm domoic acid (ASP); >0.2 ug /g Okadoic Acid /DTX Toxin and/or Pectenotoxin (DSP)).

## RESULTS:

**PASSED (<25 ug)**

## STATION:

**STEAMER PASSAGE**

## DFO STAT AREA:

**3 - 08**

**PASSED (<25 ug)**

**CANOE PASSAGE**

**3 - 07**

**PASSED (<25 ug)**

**PEARL HARBOUR**

**4 - 06**

**PASSED (<25 ug)**

**CLAM INLET**

**4 - 05**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lax Kw'alaams Fisheries at 250-627-8509 or email [wade\\_fisheries@laxband.com](mailto:wade_fisheries@laxband.com).



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