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October 22, 2009

SPECIAL LICENSE NUMBER ME 2009-91-00

Acting under the authority vested in the Commissioner of Marine Resources (DMR) by virtue of 12 M.R.S. §6074(8)(D), I hereby issue subject to renewal a Special License to **RON HUBER** representing Penobscot Bay Watch, 148 Broadway, Rockland, Maine 04841. This Special License (SL) exempts **RON HUBER** from those portions of DMR Regulations Chapter 34.10 relating to mesh size, method of take, season, and possession of illegal size fish for the purpose of surveying near shore waters for the abundance and distribution of age 0 juvenile cod and similar finfish species.

This Special License is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. **Who:** Ron Huber and up to six Penobscot Bay Watch volunteer assistants under his direct supervision.
2. **What / How:** Juvenile cod survey using a hand deployed 60 foot beach seine. All cod and by-catch species of finfish and invertebrates are counted, photographed and video taped for identification and promptly released on location. No retention is requested or allowed. Precautions will be taken to minimize injury to all species handled.
3. **Where:** Study sites will be located in Rockland Harbor (north end and south end), Stockton Harbor (south end near causeway, east side near ramp on Cape Jellison) and Searsport Harbor (east side and west side). *Marine Patrol will be notified in advance of exact locations once determined, see contact info under section 6.
4. **When:** Sites will be seined once per month for one year (Oct 2009 – Oct 2010, pending renewal Jan 1, 2010)
5. **Conditions:**
 - ***Marine Patrol** the Division II office (east of Port Clyde), Tel: 667-3373, Lt. Talbot, **shall** be contacted prior to the start up of collecting activities to make arrangements as to the necessary frequency when to contact Marine Patrol to provide the Special License (SL) number, dates, location(s) of activities, name of special license holder, other persons in the field, and if transporting of specimens will occur, etc. A log of your contact with Marine Patrol is advised. **Failure to contact Marine Patrol shall be grounds for the immediate revocation.**
 - **Reporting:** A report (electronic format) providing the numbers per species/location/dates and accomplishments and results to date shall be provided to the Department at the end of each year and prior to future renewals. Forward reporting to laurice.churchill@maine.gov.
 - **Volunteers** shall be informed by Ron Huber of the protected fish species that may be found in the area and must be released immediately after they have collected the data (counted, photographed, identified)
 - To be valid all SL's are contingent upon all vessels holding a current USCG commercial fishing safety inspection.
 - **Penalty:** Any infraction of these conditions or any violation of any Marine Resources laws shall be grounds for the immediate revocation of this Special License. Pursuant to 12 M.R.S.A. §6074(9) an individual who fails to comply with the conditions or limitations on the licensed activity under this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.
 - **Additional** conditions may be added at the discretion of the Commissioner.
 - This Special License **expires December 31, 2009** and has one renewal (for the year 2010).


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Commissioner

cc Marine Patrol Division II

2009 MARINE PATROL CONTACT INFO

Marine Patrol Division II office (east of Port Clyde) Lt Alan Talbot Tel: (207) 667-3373

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