**Green Crab Trapping**

**Final Plan**

**6-22-15**

The purpose of the trapping event will be an assessment of the Green Crab (GC) population at selected portions of the Arrowsic coastline.

The assessment will be held on June 25, 2015 with a minimum of 10 traps being monitored. The location of the 10 traps will be N Squirrel flat, S Squirrel flat, Crow Island, up Back river where river narrows, off Phil Packard’s wharf, between wharf & Mill Island, lower Mill island, Preble Pt, Spinneys Mill and Fisher Eddy. These traps will be set at the same GPS locations as in 2014. The traps will be a one day set occurring at hi tide in the am on the 25th. Burgess & Hewlett boats will start loading traps at 8 am at the Burgess dock. Traps will be pulled at the pm hi tide on the 25th. Burgess & Hewlett boats will leave the Burgess dock at 4:30 pm for pulling traps.

We will plan on 3 boats (Burgess, Packard, Hewlett) with a minimum of 2 indivs per boat. The Burgess boat will set & pull the Preble Pt, Squirrel & Fisher Eddy traps (4). The Hewlett boat will set & pull the Spinneys Mill, Crow Island & lower Back river traps (3). The Packard boat will set & pull the Packard wharf , Mill Island and site between traps (3). Data collected on the boat per trap will be time of set, time of pull, GPS coordinates and # of crabs. Sex & size cohorts will also be determined but may occur at the dock depending on # of crabs.

Location of Burgess dock is 97 Doubling Point Rd. If you are on the Doubling Pt rd heading towards the lighthouse, take the immediate right after going thru the stone wall. There is a sign on the left side of the driveway with Moutevelis Burgess 97 on it.

Action Items & next steps:

**Paul**  will coordinate with Ruth for acquisition of 9 traps prior to the 25th

**Phil & Paul** will be responsible for setting up the traps with associated bait, bait bags, bouys, rope etc.

**Pete & Paul** will be responsible for state permit approval

**Paul** will coordinate disposal of GCs caught