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EDWARD BRUCE LOWERY JR CONVICTED OF HARVESTING CLAMS IN A SUBMERGED AQUATIC VEGETATION PROTECTION ZONE

(Cambridge, MD) – On March 29, 2012, Edward Bruce Lowery Jr. was convicted in the Circuit Court of Dorchester County of harvesting clams in a Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Zone. On June 17, 2011, the Defendant was observed by a concerned citizen in the protected area. A Natural Resource Police Officer responded to the location and observed Edward Bruce Lowery Jr. dredging within the Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Protection Zone. After a two day trial in the Circuit Court for Dorchester County the defendant was convicted and faces a lifetime fishing ban. The Office of the State's Attorney for Dorchester County presented the court with his prior record noting his long history of violations going back over a decade, which includes over fifty violations of the Natural Resource Code. State's Attorney Bill Jones would like to thank the Department of Natural Resources and the Attorney General's Office for their assistance in investigation and prosecution of this case.

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