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What is the State of Your Oyster?

State of the Oyster Study volunteers invite you to join them to look at bacterial contamination on privately owned beaches in Hood Canal and throughout Puget Sound. Samples will be tested for fecal coliform and/or *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*. Results will be delivered by phone 10 days after test dates.

On collection day, collect six large oysters, five+ inches shell length, or 24 clams and include the Collection Form with the samples.

When: Sun., May 22, 2016
12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: Samples may be dropped off at the following locations:

Hunter Farms
1921 E. State Route 106
Union, WA

QFC parking lot
1403 Old Belfair Highway
Belfair, WA

Fee: (\$25 per test) and/or *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* (\$30 per test)

For more information, contact Teri King or Janis McNeal, Washington Sea Grant, 360.432.3054 or wsgcanal@uw.edu

Collection Form can be downloaded at <https://wsg.washington.edu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/State-of-Your-Oyster-2016-1.pdf>

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