

Taunton Bay Oyster Co., Inc.

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Description: Taunton and Hog Bays Taunton Bay Franklin Hancock Sullivan Hancock County

Species Cultivated: oyster eastern / american (*Crassostrea virginica*)

Cultivation Technique(s): Bottom - Suspended

Conditions: a) Navigation, recreational fishing, lobster and crab fishing and moorings are permitted in the open areas of all tracts of the lease. Dragging and shellfish harvesting are prohibited on all tracts of the lease except by the leaseholder or its authorized agents. Mussel washing is prohibited on all tracts of the lease. The lease tracts must be marked in accordance with DMR Rule 2.80 and U.S. Coast Guard requirements. b) Conditions re: gear for Tract 1. No gear may be over-wintered on existing Tract 1. The arrays of floating trays on existing Tract 1 must be separated by at least fifteen feet to allow space for navigation. c) Conditions re: eagles for Tracts 1 and 2. The following restrictions apply in order to protect the eagles nesting on Buckskin Island: Activities should occur within the lease site whenever possible. There should be no boats or equipments moored closer to the eagle nest than the lease site. Equipment should not be staged on Buckskin (Round) Island. The leaseholder shall not use the shore of Buckskin (Round) Island in connection with the lease activities, except if necessary to remove debris from shore. d) Conditions re: eelgrass for Tracts 1 and 3. In the event that eelgrass (*Zostera marina*) re-grows on any tract, the leaseholder must minimize the placement of any floating gear over eelgrass beds to avoid shading; overwintering gear may not be placed on eelgrass beds on the bottom before October 15; and such overwintering gear must be removed by April 15.

Original Date: 6/19/2014 **Effective Date:** 6/19/2014 **Expiration Date:** 6/18/2024 **Replaces TAUN HB3**

Acreage: 27.88

NOAA Chart: 13316

