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**AQUACULTURE LEASE APPLICATION - PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Shearwater Ventures, LLC has applied for a limited purpose (experimental) aquaculture lease to grow sugar kelp, horsetail kelp, and winged kelp using suspended culture techniques on a 3.79-acre site located east of Little Chebeague Island, Casco Bay, Chebeague Island. Other compatible uses of the area would be permitted. The application is posted on the DMR website at [www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture), under "Pending Aquaculture Lease Applications."

The Commissioner announces a public comment period for this application. A public hearing is required only if requested in writing by five (5) or more interested persons prior to the comment deadline.

**The DEADLINE for COMMENTS and HEARING REQUESTS is:**

**April 11, 2016**

Mail written comments or hearing requests to:

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