

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: March 5, 2024

To: Town of Damariscotta Municipal Officials and Bernie Delisle, Harbormaster

Lease applicant

Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the proposal

ME IF&W, and DACF

GovDelivery Aquaculture List

From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Completed Aquaculture Application and Comment Period

The DMR has received a completed lease application for the following:

Name of Applicant and Type	Muscongus Bay Aquaculture	□Experimental ⊠Renewal (DAM HI3)
Culture Type	☐ Bottom culture ☐ Suspended culture (No gear) ☐ Bottom and/or surface gear)	
Species	☑ Shellfish ☐ Marine algae	□Finfish □Other
Waterbody, Town	Damariscotta River, Damariscotta	
Lease Size and Term	7 Acres	20 Years
	No later than 4:00 p.m. on April 6, 2024	DMR
Comment Submission Deadline		Attn: Aquaculture Division
		21 State House Station
		Augusta, ME 04333-0021
		DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: The DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional unless DMR receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments or hearing requests by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: To view a copy of the completed application, please visit DMR's Aquaculture webpage. Applications are available under 'Maine Aquaculture Leases and LPAs.'

CONTACT THE APPLICANT: Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposal. Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

Relevant Authority: 12 MRSA §§6072 (12), 6072-A (5) and DMR Rules Chapters 2.45 and 2.64.