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

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COMMISSIONER

Date: September 20, 2022

To: City of Saco, Municipal Officials and Daniel Chadbourne, Harbormaster
Lease applicant
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	University of New England	<input type="checkbox"/> Experimental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renewal (Saco RIx)
Culture Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom culture (No gear)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended culture (Bottom and/or surface gear)
Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine algae <input type="checkbox"/> Finfish <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	Northeast of Ram Island, Saco Bay, Saco	
Lease Size and Term	3.91 Acres	3 Years
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 p.m. on October 23, 2022	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021

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. This is a request to renew an experimental lease held for scientific purposes, so a hearing is optional unless DMR receives 25 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:
<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html>

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.