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August 17, 2020

Municipal Officials
Town of Jonesport
70 Snare Creek Lane, Lower Level
Jonesport, ME 06469-3139

RE: Intake and Discharge System Proposal for Fish Farm

Dear Municipal Officials:

The Bureau of Parks and Lands (Bureau), within the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, has received an application from Kingfish Maine Inc. to dredge an area and construct two water intake pipes and two discharge pipes on submerged lands at property on Chandler Bay.

Under the Bureau's standard review procedure, this correspondence is to provide the municipality with an opportunity to comment on any impacts the project may have as described in the enclosed NOTICE. Although this letter is addressed to the municipal officials, any interested party or anyone who is knowledgeable about the area is welcome to comment. If the municipality has a harbor committee, port authority, or other organization that has responsibility for reviewing coastal activities, please provide them with a copy of this NOTICE.

Please post the enclosed NOTICE in the municipal office. Comments must be received by the Bureau on or before September 16, 2020. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Karen Foust
Submerged Lands Coordinator

Enc: Notice
cc: Harbormaster w/ enclosure

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Applicant: Kingfish Maine, Inc.

Proposal: To place two intake and two discharge pipes on submerged lands that would each be 48 inches in diameter and would be secured to the bottom with concrete ballasts placed 16 feet apart on center. The intake pipes would extend approximately 1,212 feet from the mean low-water line. The discharge pipes would extend adjacent to the intake pipes for 1,212 ft. and continue an additional 1,162 ft. before diverging to a width of 100 feet for approximately 150 feet to the point where the diffuser would be placed. The applicant proposes to lease a corridor that would be 40 feet wide for the first 1,212 beyond mean low-water to accommodate the width of four pipes. The corridor would be reduced to 20 feet wide to accommodate the width of the discharge pipes to the point where the pipes diverge, approximately 1,162 ft., and then the corridor would increase to 100 feet wide for the remaining 150 feet. The applicant also proposes to excavate approximately 550 cubic yards of material in conjunction with the pipe installation. The excavated material would be used both as backfill for the pipe trench and on-site for the development of the upland land-based aquaculture facility. The project would extend a total of approximately 2,524 feet beyond the mean-low water line on submerged lands for commercial use.

Location: Chandler Bay, 9 Dun Garvin Road, Town of Jonesport

The Bureau of Parks and Lands (Bureau) has received an application to occupy submerged lands for the project described above. Pursuant to Title 12 M.R.S.A., Section 1801 & 1862, the Bureau serves as trustee of submerged lands for the State of Maine. Submerged lands include all land from the mean **low-water** mark seaward to the 3-mile territorial limit including all land below the mean **low-water** mark of tidal rivers upstream to the farthest natural reaches of the tides.

Before the proposal may take place, the applicant must obtain a lease or easement from the Bureau. A lease or easement may be granted for the project if it will not:

- unreasonably interfere with customary or traditional public access ways to, or public trust rights (fishing, fowling, recreation, and navigation) in, on or over the submerged lands;
- unreasonably interfere with fishing or other existing marine uses of the area;
- unreasonably diminish the availability of services and facilities necessary for commercial marine activities; and
- unreasonably interfere with ingress and egress of riparian owners.

A copy of the site plan is attached for information. Any interested party or anyone who is knowledgeable about the area is welcome to comment on possible impacts to the activities listed above.

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cc: Department of Marine Resources

Please note that all comments received are part of the public record and subject to the State of Maine Freedom of Access laws.