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AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0021

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Date: January 16, 2020

To: Town of Newcastle, Municipal Officials and Harbormaster
Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the aquaculture lease site
Aquaculture lease and license holders within 1,000 feet
Case-specific mailing list

From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Lease Expansion Application

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

Lease Acronym	DAM PP2	
Applicant	Mook Sea Farm	
General Location, Town	East of Perkins Point, Damariscotta River, Newcastle (Lease DAM PP2)	
Acreage of Proposed Expansion	4 acres	
Comment Period Deadline and Submission	No later than 4:00 p.m. on February 23, 2020	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments to DMR on the proposed expansion. Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: A copy of the completed application is available on DMR's website at: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html>

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

DMR PROCEDURE: At the close of the public comment period, DMR will review the proposed expansion application and the comments received. DMR may grant proposed lease expansions if they do not violate any of the lease decision criteria, are consistent with the original lease decision, do not violate any of the conditions set forth in the original lease, are not for speculative purposes, and would not cause the lessee to hold more than 1,000 acres. No hearing will be held on this expansion application. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact: DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

Relevant Authority: The legal authority for this notice is 12 MRSA §6072 (12-C) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.61.