

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

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Date: May 16, 2022

To: Town of Boothbay Municipal Officers and Peter Ripley, Harbormaster 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	Norumbega Oyster Inc	⊠Experimental □Renewal (acronym)
Culture Type	□ Bottom culture⊠ Suspended culture(No gear)(Bottom and/or surface gear)	
Species	⊠ Shellfish □Marine algae	□Finfish □Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	Wadsworth Cove, Damariscotta River, Boothbay	
Lease Size and Term	3 Acres	3 Years
		DMR
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 p.m. on June 18, 2022	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: <u>https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html</u>

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

DMR REVIEW: The DMR staff will visit and assess the site in consideration of the legal requirements for aquaculture leases. Other state and federal agencies will also review the application. If you have questions, please contact: <u>DMRaquaculture@maine.gov</u>

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