



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

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COMMISSIONER

Date: September 3, 2020
To: Town of Bar Harbor, Municipal Officers and Harbormaster
From: DMR Aquaculture Division
Re: Notice of Scheduled Aquaculture Lease Hearing

The Department of Marine Resources (DMR) is holding a remote public hearing to take evidence on an aquaculture lease application for the following:

Applicant Name and Lease Type	Western Bay Oyster Company, LLC	<input type="checkbox"/> Experimental Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard Lease
Culture Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bottom culture (No gear)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended culture (Gear on bottom and/or suspended)
Species	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input type="checkbox"/> Marine algae <input type="checkbox"/> Finfish <input type="checkbox"/> Other
General Location, Town	Off Old House Cove/Spruce Point, Western Bay, Bar Harbor	
Acreage Requested	3.36 acres	
Lease Term Requested	10 years	

This proceeding was originally postponed due to COVID-19. The public hearing on this application has now been rescheduled as follows:

October 13, 2020
2:00 p.m.
Remote hearing conducted via Microsoft Teams

If the public hearing listed above is postponed an alternate remote public hearing will be held on **October 15, 2020**, at the same time. Notice of a postponement will be posted on the Department's website.

INFORMATION ON DMR WEBSITE: See DMR's website, for the lease application and DMR site report: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html>

PARTICIPATING IN THE HEARING: Interested persons may participate in the remote hearing by computer or phone. To help manage the proceeding, interested persons need to complete an online registration form no later than **5 p.m. on October 6, 2020**. After the registration deadline, DMR will contact interested persons with information about how to join the remote hearing. If you are unable to register online or need assistance with the form, please contact DMR.

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Online registration can be completed at:

<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/meetinglist.html>

RELEVANT AUTHORITY: The rules governing the leasing program are found in Chapter 2 of DMR regulations. The statutory provisions are: 5 M.R.S.A. §9501 et seq. & 12 M.R.S.A. §6072(1) et seq., & 12 M.R.S.A. §6072-A(1) et seq.

Address questions to:

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