

DMR Regional Shellfish Meeting
Lee Pellon Center, 90 Main St., Machias

Tuesday, October 11, 2022
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Goal: Provide an annual opportunity for direct communication among municipal shellfish programs and the Department of Marine Resources (DMR), building on issues raised during the Municipal Shellfish Workshops in May 2022, to share information and engage about key issues for each region.

Objectives:

- Provide information to the shellfish community and clarify what resources are available from DMR and other community partners.
- Allow for an open forum to ask questions, share concerns and learn best practices from other shellfish programs.

Who Should Attend: Anyone with an interest in Maine’s municipal shellfish programs, shellfish committee members, wardens, municipal administrators, harvesters, residents of coastal communities, and members of the public.

AGENDA:

1:00 Meet and Greet

1:15 Welcome and Introductions – Heidi Leighton, DMR Area Biologist

1:25 Taking a Deeper Dive into a Few Key Topics

- *Shellfish 101: Addressing Common Questions* - Heidi Leighton
- *Effective Enforcement Programs: Options available for towns* – Mike Pinkham, Shellfish Warden and Lewis Pinkham, Milbridge Shellfish Committee
- *Shore Access and Community Solutions* - Melissa Britsch, Maine Coastal Program and Mike Pinkham, Shellfish Warden

2:00 Round Table Q & A

- An opportunity to ask questions, share concerns and find answers