DMR Eastern Maine Regional Shellfish Meeting University of Maine Machias Reynolds Center 116 Obrien Ave, Machias, ME 04654

Monday, November 20, 2023 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

<u>Goal:</u> Provide an in-person, accessible, and interactive opportunity for you to engage with the DMR Bureau of Public Health and local shellfish community members to build upon shared knowledge.

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.

<u>Who Should Attend:</u> 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:

- 3:00 Welcome and Informal Conversation
- 3:15 Welcome and Introductions Heidi Leighton, Marine Resource Scientist
- 3:25 Taking a Deeper Dive into a Few Key Topics (10 12 min each)
 - DMR Landings Program Rob Watts, Director, Commercial Landings
 - o DMR Aquaculture Amanda Ellis, Director, Aquaculture Division
 - Updates on Municipal LPA program
 - How to provide effective feedback on pending aquaculture sites
 - DMR Water Quality David Miller, Growing Area East

3:50 Round Table Q & A

- An opportunity to ask questions, share concerns and explore answers
- A representative from Water Quality will be present to answer questions during the round table discussion.