



## APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN AUTHORIZATION FOR SPECIES and/or GEAR



Lease Acronym	TAUN HB4
Leaseholder	Taunton Bay Oyster Co., Inc.
Contact Person	Bryan (Michael) Briggs
Address	P.O. Box 613
City	Ellsworth
State, Zip	Maine 04605
Telephone	207 266-3353
Email	mike@tauntonbay.com

What type of amendment are you requesting (check one)?

☒ Gear amendment only

**Instructions:** Review and complete sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 of this application

☐ Species amendment only

**Instructions:** Review and complete sections 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the application

☐ Gear and species amendment

**Instructions:** Review and complete each section of the application

1.

## 1. Bird Deterrents

**BIRD DETERRENTS:** Suspended culture gear can attract birds that roost on the gear and defecate, potentially creating a pollution source impacting shellfish held within the gear. If you are applying to add shellfish species and/or suspended gear to your site, please include a description of mitigation or deterrent measures to minimize the potential pollution impacts of birds. If appropriate, include sketches or photos that clearly depict those measures put into practice.

Examples may include:

- Suspended gear and associated product would be submerged at a depth sufficient to deter roosting for at least two weeks before harvest
- Attaching physical deterrents (i.e. zip ties) to gear
- Only shellfish seed would be cultured
- Only adductor-only scallops would be cultured

Only shellfish seed/juvenile would be cultured

### 3. GEAR CHANGES

**GEAR INFORMATION:** Describe each gear type you wish to add to or remove from your current gear plan.

Specific Gear Type (e.g. soft mesh bag)	Add or Remove	Dimensions of Gear Added or Removed (e.g. 16"x20"x2")	Dates That Gear Will Be in The Water (Added gear only)
Flip Farm basket	add	29" L x 13" W x 12" H	March - December
Mooring line	add	3/4" x 40'	Year - round
Hauling line	add	3/8" x 300'	March - December
Backbone line	add	15/16" x 350'	March - December
Backbone buoys	add	16" diameter x 48" L	March - December

\*\*\* Attach the following drawings showing the proposed new gear. Use the plans in your Army Corps permit and/or DMR lease application as a starting point. Be sure to include:

- **Layout plan** showing:
  - placement of existing and new gear on lease site
  - north arrow
  - lease corners labeled
- **Cross-section view** showing:
  - mooring gear and
  - other gear
  - depths at MLW and MHW
- **Drawing of an individual piece of each new gear**, including:
  - dimensions and
  - materials and
  - numbers of each type of gear to be added

**Complete responses to the following questions (attach a separate sheet if needed):**

1. How does adding this gear change your existing operations?

We currently use floating mesh bags to raise juvenile oysters (until large enough to bottom plant). The Flip Farm system will be used for the same purpose, but is a much more efficient system. We will gradually replace the bag system with the Flip Farm system over several years (when economically feasible).

2. Describe any changes in the number of trips to the lease site per day. If none, please write "none."

There will be less trips using the Flip Farm system. For example, to flip 4000 mesh bags takes 2 employees 2 days. Employees usually come to shore for lunch, which makes 4 trips to flip the 4000 bags. The same number of Flip Farm baskets can be done in less than 2 hours (1 trip). Filling and emptying baskets also take less trips than mesh bags.

3. Describe any changes in noise and level of on-site activity. If there are no changes, please write "none."

The noise will be about the same, but far less on-site activity, due to the greater efficiency of the Flip Farm system.

4. Will gear remain on site during the winter?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If you selected "yes" use the space below to describe your overwintering plans. Please include the dates for overwintering.

All Flip Farm baskets, hauling lines, backbone lines and backbone buoys will be removed before ice develops (usually December) and returned in spring when ice leaves the bay (usually March). All removed gear will be stored at our shore-side facility.



## 4. Tax Maps and Riparian List

Is your existing lease within 1,000ft of shorefront land (which extends to mean low water or 1,650 ft. from shore, whichever is less)?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, the following supporting documents are required:

### A. Tax Map

A labeled copy of the appropriate tax map(s) depicting the location of the proposed lease site.

The map(s) needs to include the following elements:

- Label the map "Tax Map: Town of (name of town)."
- Legible scale
- Tax lot numbers clearly displayed
- The boundaries of the existing lease

### B. Riparian List

Please use the Riparian Landowner List (included on the next page) to list the name and address of every shorefront landowner within 1,000 feet of your existing lease. Have the tax collector or clerk of the municipality certify the riparian list.

## RIPARIAN LANDOWNER LIST

*\*THIS LIST MUST BE **CERTIFIED**\**

On this list, please show the current landowners' names and mailing addresses as listed in the municipal tax records for all riparian shorefront parcels within 1,000 feet of the existing lease site along with the map and lot number for each parcel. **It is the applicant's responsibility to assemble the information for the Town Clerk to certify.** The Town Clerk *only* certifies that the information is correct according to the Town's records. Once you have completed the form, ask the Town Clerk to complete the certification section below. If the parcels are within more than one municipality, provide a separate, certified riparian list for each municipality.

**TOWN OF: Franklin**

Map #	LOT #	Landowner name(s) and address(es)
2	28	Thrumcap LLC P.O. Box 613 Ellsworth, ME 04605
2	28-4	Taunton Bay Oyster Co., Inc. P.O. Box 613 Ellsworth, ME 04605
2	29	Donald & Martina Anderson 144 Hog Bay Rd. Franklin, Me 04634
2	30 & 31	David E. Howes & Ruth Torrey 247 South Bay Rd. Franklin, ME 04634
6	64	David L. & Elaine M. Hughes 1518 Stony Garden Rd. Quakertown, PA 18951
6	64-1	Bryan Briggs P.O. Box 613 Ellsworth, ME 04605
15	15	Kevan J. Del Grande 16460 Cypress Way Los Gates, CA 95030-7528
15	16	Kevin B. & Deborah L. Carr 41 Dwelly Point Rd. Franklin, ME 04634
15	17	John & Dorothea Collins 541 Nut Plains Rd. Guilford, CT 06437
15	18	Gregory Raymond 427 Uvilla Estates Shenandoah Junction, WV 25442

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15	18-1	Dwelly Point Association P.O. Box 337 Franklin, ME 04634
15	19	Robert & Wendy Shusko 21808 Deer Point Crossing Bradebton, FL 34202
15	20	Lesley S. & Ralph T. West Jr. 62 Dwelly Point Rd. Franklin, Me 04634
15	21	Donald & Regina Rivard P.O. Box 298 Franklin, ME 04634
15	22	Ronald F. Tocci 50 Hunters Ridge Rd. Concord, MA 01742
15	23 & 24	Janice Weisfeld & Francis Weisfeld Haines III 57 Weona Rd. North Attleboro, MA 02760
15	25	Daniel E. & Kimberly D. Bright 38 West Gowen Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19119-1645
15	26	Parrie & Lisa Willette 522 Main St. Old Town, ME 04468
15	27 & 28	Peter J. & Karen A. Johnson 30 Dwelly Point Rd. Franklin, Me 04634
15	29	Kimberley C. Wolfe 600 1 <sup>st</sup> Street North St. Petersburg, FL 33701
15	32	Joan McDevitt 10 Reservoir Rd. Franklin, ME 04634
15	38	Rita C. Thibodeau P.O. Box 3 Franklin, ME 04634
15	40	Amy E. Weger 36 Main St. Franklin, ME 04634
15	41	Franklin Town Office P.O. Box 206 Franklin, ME 04634
15	41-1	Town of Franklin P.O. Box 206 Franklin, ME 04634



15	42	Richard & Faye Havey Real Estate Trust 26 Main St. Franklin, ME 04634
15	44	Bobbie Lynn Hutchins 22 Main St. Franklin, ME 04634
15	55	Mark & Lisa Herrington P.O. Box 230 Franklin, ME 04634
15	56	Ryan Johnson 15 Shipyard Point Rd. Franklin, ME 04634
15	58	Frenchman's Bay Conservancy P.O. Box 150 Hancock, ME 04640
15	59	Frank C. & Mary Beth Dorsey P.O. Box 82 Franklin, ME 04634
15	60-1	Thomas & Mary Kemper Trustees 9 Tower Rd. Lexington, MA 02173
15	60-2	Thomas & Deborah Boerger P.O. Box 303 Franklin, ME 04634
15	61	Judith Anne Renner Marital Trust 1708 Brisbane St. Silver Springs, MD 20902

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach hereto.**

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Elaine Brown, <sup>Treasurer</sup> Town Clerk for the Town of Franklin certify that the names and addresses of the property owners listed above, as well as the map and lot numbers, are those listed in the records of this municipality and are current as of this date.

SIGNED: Elaine Brown DATE: August 11, 2023

## 5. Applicant Signature

I hereby state that the information included in this application is true and correct. I have also read and understand the requirements of the Department's rules governing aquaculture and the application instructions pertaining to the lease amendment process.

Printed name: Bryan (Michael) Briggs

Title (*if corporate applicant*): President

Signature: Bryan (Michael) Briggs Date: 3/17/23

18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes or uses any false writing or

document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both.

**Note:**

- All applicants must sign and date this page. Please use the space below, if additional signatures are required.
- Corporate applicants, please be sure to include the title(s) (i.e. President, Treasurer, etc.) of the individual(s) signing on the company's behalf.

**Additional Applicant:**

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title (*if corporate applicant*): \_\_\_\_\_

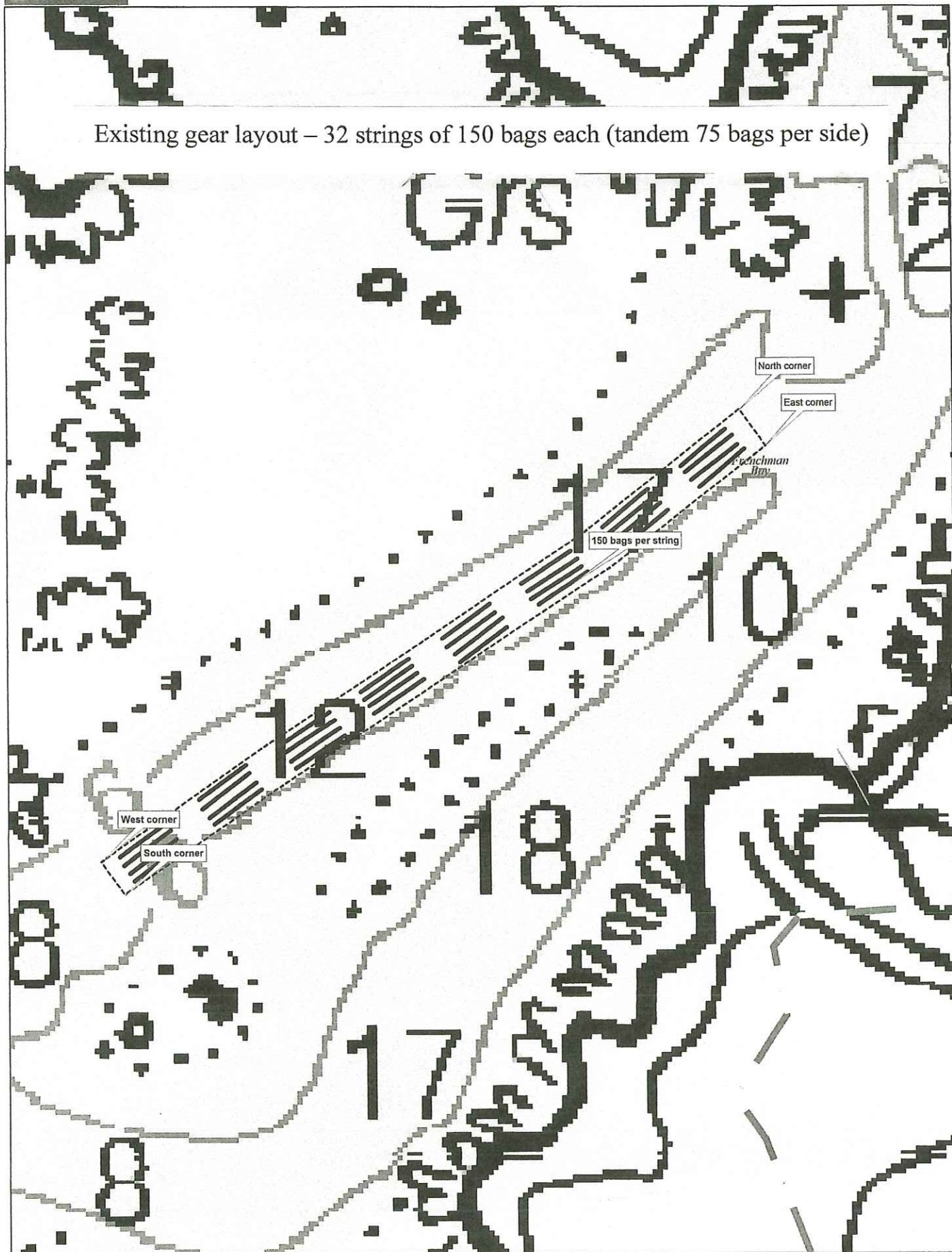
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## 6. Application Submission

1. Please review your application for completeness and ensure all supporting documents are attached. You may submit your application to DMR via email or mail to the addresses provided at the beginning of the application.
2. After you submit your application, DMR will review the proposed changes and contact you if additional information or action is required.
3. DMR will notify you when the application has been deemed complete.
4. After the application is deemed complete, DMR will establish a 14-day comment period. Personal notice of the proposed amendment(s) are provided to any riparian landowners within 1,000 feet of the existing lease and the municipality where the lease is located. Notice of the request will also be published on DMR's website.



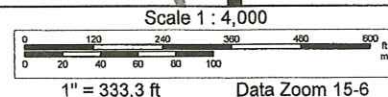
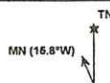
Existing gear layout – 32 strings of 150 bags each (tandem 75 bags per side)



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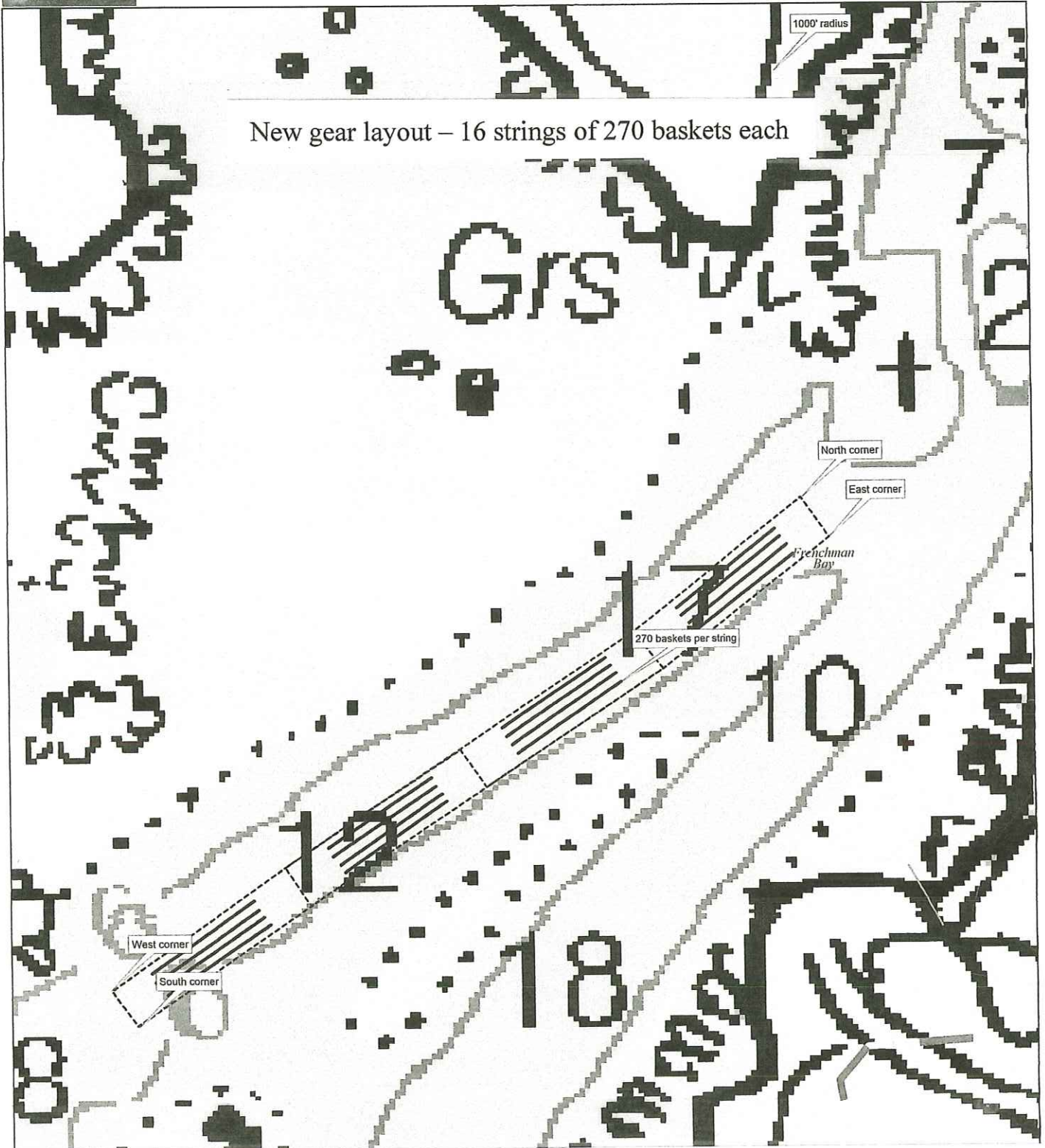
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Overhead close-up view of individual line - 270 baskets (295')

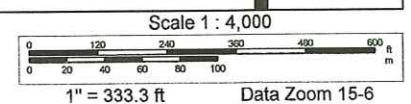


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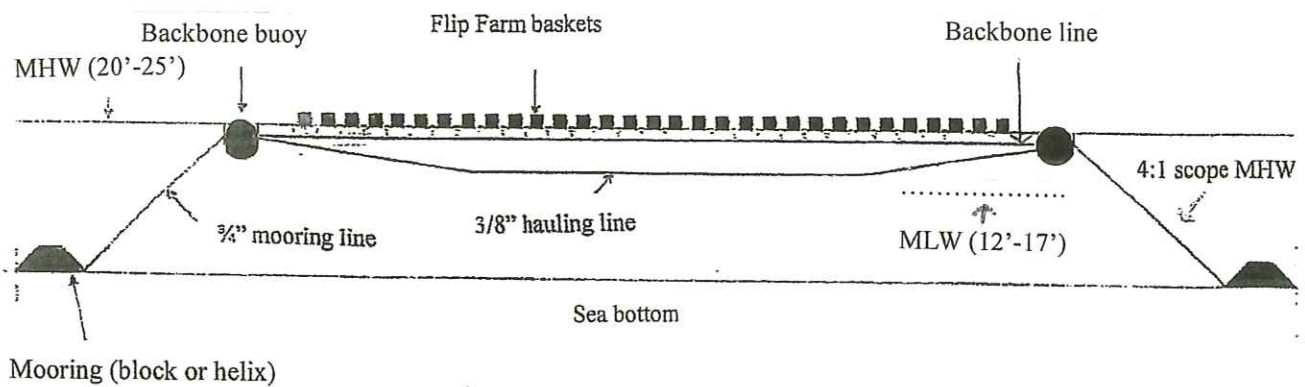
### Single unit Flip Farm basket

29"L x 13"W x 12"H

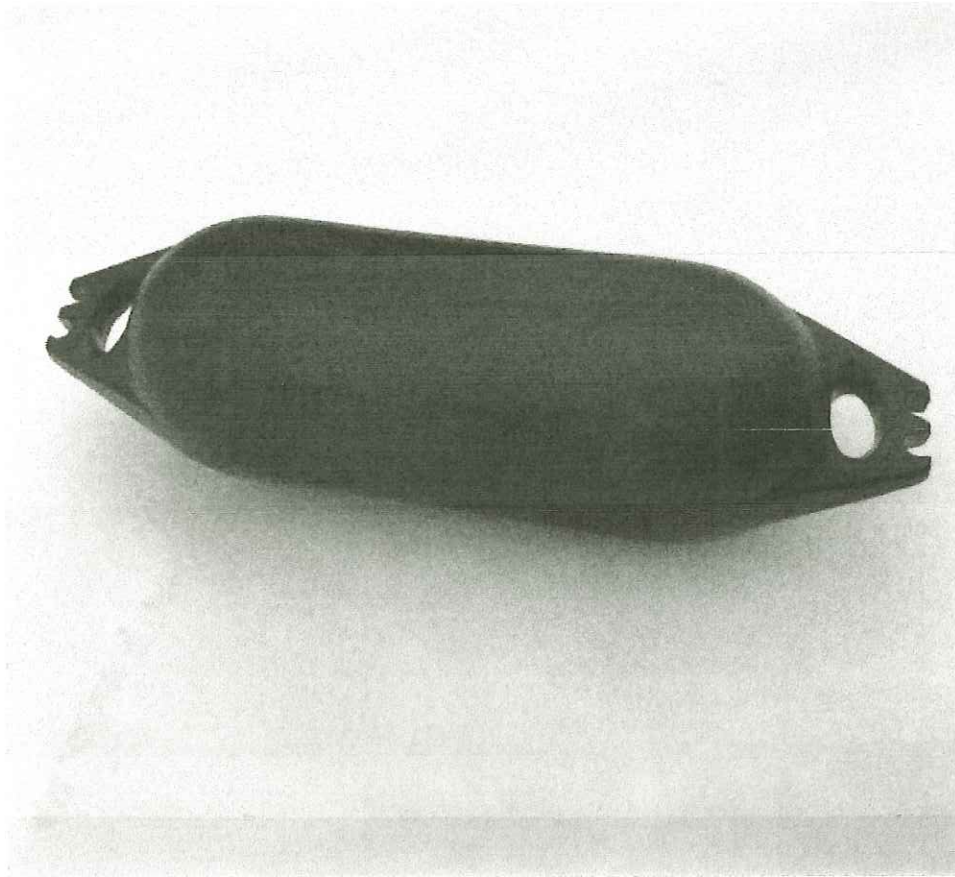
(Float would be black not blue)

16 strings of 270 baskets - totaling 4320 baskets

### Cross-Section View







### **Backbone buoy**

**16" diameter x 48" L**

**2 per string x 16 strings = 32 total**

### **Ropes**

Mooring lines – 3/4" x 40' – 32 lines

Hauling lines – 3/8" x 300' – 16 lines

Backbone lines – 15/16" x 350' – 16 lines

# Tax Maps: Town of Franklin (3)



Lease site

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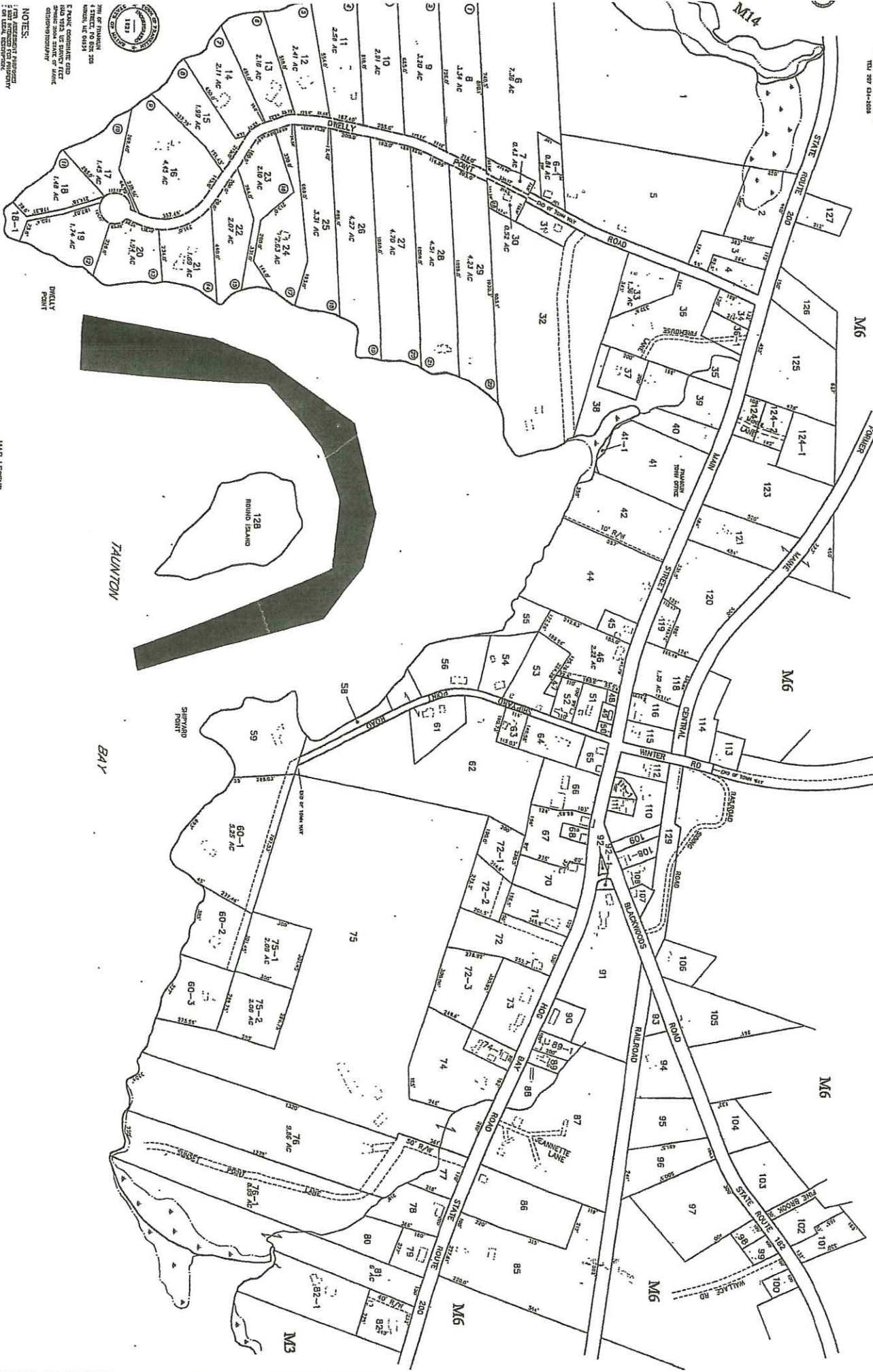
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