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 04333-0021

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**Date:** October 15, 2025

**To:** Town of Harpswell, Municipal Officials and Paul Plummer Harbormaster  
 Lease transfer applicants  
 Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the proposal  
 ME IF&W, and DACF  
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**From:** Department of Marine Resources (DMR), Aquaculture Division

**Re:** Notice of Lease Transfer Application

DMR has received a completed lease transfer application for the following:

Lease Acronym and Type of Request	MIDD CI	<input type="checkbox"/> Adding an additional holder <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete change of holder
Current Lease Holder	Timothy Johnson	
Proposed Lease Holder:	Mere Point Oyster Company, LLC	
Waterbody, Town	Middle Bay, Harpswell	
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 p.m. on November 16, 2025	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 <a href="mailto:DMRaquaculture@maine.gov">DMRaquaculture@maine.gov</a>

**COMMENT PERIOD:** DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments to DMR on the proposed lease transfer. Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline. Public hearings are not held for transfer applications.

**RIPARIAN LANDOWNERS:** This notice is sent to shorefront owners whose property boundaries are within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site. The law requires that this notice and any subsequent notices be mailed to riparian landowners at the address on the riparian list contained in the application. Please note that the address on that list is based on municipal tax records in accordance with law. To receive updates via email, please sign up at the link below. Updates can be filtered by coastal county or statewide. To sign up for electronic updates:  
<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MEDMR/subscriber/new>.  
 For more information about participating in the aquaculture leasing process, please visit:  
<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/public-participation-in-aquaculture-leasing>.

**VIEW THE APPLICATION:** A copy of the application is available on DMR's aquaculture webpage under 'Maine Aquaculture Leases and LPAs.'

**CONTACT THE APPLICANT:** Please contact the applicants with any questions regarding the proposed transfer. Contact information can be found in the application.

**CONTACT DMR:** Questions about the lease transfer process may be directed to the Aquaculture Division at 207-350-7815 or [DMRaquaculture@maine.gov](mailto:DMRaquaculture@maine.gov)

**Relevant Authority:** The legal authority for this notice is 12 MRSA §6072 (12-A) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.60.