

# Municipal Marine Resource Management Training

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# Ground Rules

- ▶ Please hold your questions for after each presentation – We are limited on time, so holding questions until after the speaker is done will help save some time and keep us on track.
- ▶ Please be respectful of each other – We all come from different municipalities with different ideas, solutions, challenges, and goals.
- ▶ Focus on the training goal – DMR employees are not here to debate/change policy or state regulation, we are here to help guide partners through the system that currently exists.

# Training Origin

## ▶ Municipal Shellfish Management Meetings

- May 2022 – DMR and ShAC held three public meetings asking six primary questions, one of which was...
  - *What ways could DMR and municipalities partner for a more effective municipal shellfish program...?*
- The ShAC compiled these answers to create a task list of 70 different topics over 9 categories.
- Topics were assigned to work groups and we got to work.
  - Regional Shellfish Meetings, Mini-Grants, Economic Impact Study and this Municipal Marine Resource Management training, to name a few.

# Training Goal

- ▶ To support and foster municipal marine resource management with our municipal partners through better communication, education and participation.

# Communication

- ▶ Summer and Winter Newsletters
- ▶ Website reviews to make sure info is updated and accurate
- ▶ Gov Delivery changes
- ▶ Targeted emails to community groups
- ▶ Partnership with Maine Municipal Association
- ▶ What communication works for you?

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# Education

- ▶ Regional Shellfish Meetings
- ▶ Municipal Marine Resource Management Training
- ▶ Municipal Shellfish Conservation Warden Training
  - ShAC Committee
- ▶ Economic Impact Study
- ▶ Near real time water quality data

# Participation

- ▶ Increased attendance at municipal meetings
- ▶ Regional Shellfish Meetings
- ▶ Maine Municipal Association annual convention
- ▶ Mini-Grant funding for municipal programs
- ▶ Advisory Councils
- ▶ Aquaculture Listening Sessions
- ▶ What kind of participation would you like to see?



# Thank you for being here!

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# Municipal Marine Resource Management Training Survey

