

**AQUACULTURE PUBLIC SCOPING SESSION**

**June 5, 2023  
3:00 p.m.  
St. George Town Office  
3 School Street  
Tenants Harbor, 04860**

The Department of Marine Resources has received a draft aquaculture lease application for the following:

Applicant	John Cotton, Shawn Thomas, and Devil’s Apron Sea Farm, LLC	
Culture Type	Suspended culture (gear on bottom and/or suspended)	
Species	Marine algae	
Town	St. George	
Waterbody, General Description	End of St. George River, Deep Cove, West of Port Clyde	
Lease Size and Term	5.74 acres	20 years

If the scoping session listed above is cancelled, an alternate scoping session will be held on June 6, 2023, at the same time and location. Notice of a cancellation will be posted on the Department’s website under ‘Meetings and Events.’

**What is a scoping session?**

A scoping session is a meeting where the applicant explains their tentative proposal to members of the public. It’s an opportunity for members of the public to provide feedback on the proposal, prior to the applicant submitting a final application and an eventual public hearing. **This meeting does not determine whether the proposal will be granted.**

**How to participate:**

You can attend the session or contact the applicant. A copy of the draft lease application, which includes the applicant’s contact information is available on DMR’s Aquaculture webpage under ‘Maine Aquaculture Leases and LPAs.’ Questions about the leasing process may be directed to:

Maine Department of Marine Resources  
Attn: Aquaculture Division  
[DMRaquaculture@maine.gov](mailto:DMRaquaculture@maine.gov)

For disability accommodations, contact: (207) 624-6553 or  
or 877-243-2823, TTY 711