

## STANDARD LEASE APPLICATION: NON-DISCHARGE

### 1. APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Applicant           | Krista Tripp                                                                                                                                                                |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Contact Person      | Krista Tripp                                                                                                                                                                |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Address             | PO BOX 91                                                                                                                                                                   |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| City                | Spruce Head                                                                                                                                                                 |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| State, Zip          | Maine, 04859                                                                                                                                                                |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| County              | Knox                                                                                                                                                                        |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Telephone           | 207-542-0121                                                                                                                                                                |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Email               | <a href="mailto:KrTripp08@yahoo.com">KrTripp08@yahoo.com</a>                                                                                                                |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Type of Application | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft Application<br>[submitted before scoping session] <input type="checkbox"/> Final Application<br>[submitted after scoping session] |                                       |                                                                                                      |
| Date                | Pre-Application Meeting: 10/29/24                                                                                                                                           | Draft Application Submitted: 11/08/24 | Scoping Session:                                                                                     |
| Payment Type        | Draft Application:<br>X Check (included) <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card                                                                                               |                                       | Final Application:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Check (included) <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card |

**Note:** The email address you list here will be the primary means by which we will contact you. Please provide an email address that is checked regularly. If you do not use email, please leave this blank.



## 2. PROPOSED LEASE SITE INFORMATION

| Location of Proposed Lease Site                                 |                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Town                                                            | South Thomaston, Maine                                                                                                              |
| Waterbody                                                       | Lower Weskeag River                                                                                                                 |
| General Description<br>(e.g. south of B Island)                 | E of Hayden Point, NE of Birch Point, and SW of Ballyhac Cove                                                                       |
| Lease Information                                               |                                                                                                                                     |
| Total acreage requested<br>(100-acre maximum)                   | 1.99 acres                                                                                                                          |
| Lease term requested<br>(20-year maximum)                       | 20 years                                                                                                                            |
| Type of culture (check all that apply)                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Bottom (no gear)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended (gear in the water and/or on the bottom) |
| Is any portion of the proposed lease site above mean low water? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                 |

**Note:** If you selected yes, you need to complete the steps outlined in the section titled: "Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements".



### 3. GROWING AREA DESIGNATION

**Directions:** Information for growing area designations can be found here: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/index.html>

|                                     |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Growing Area Designation (e.g. WL): | WV                               |
| Growing Area Section (e.g. "A1"):   | Approved - area located near CA2 |

**Note:** If you are proposing to grow molluscan shellfish in waters classified as anything other than open/approved, you will need to contact the Bureau of Public Health to discuss your plans at the following email: [DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov](mailto:DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov)

### 4. SPECIES INFORMATION

A. Please complete the table below and add additional rows as needed.

| Name of species to be cultivated<br>(include both common and scientific names): | Name and address of the source of seed stock or juveniles             | Maximum number (or biomass) of organisms you anticipate on the site at any given time |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. American Oysters,<br>crassostrea virginica                                   | Muscongus Bay Aquaculture<br>24 Seal Ledge Lane, Bremen,<br>ME. 04551 | 120,000                                                                               |
| 2.                                                                              |                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 3.                                                                              |                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 4.                                                                              |                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 5.                                                                              |                                                                       |                                                                                       |

B. Do you intend to possess, transport, or sell whole or roe-on scallops? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**If you answered "yes"** please contact the Bureau of Public Health to discuss your plans at the following email: [DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov](mailto:DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov)

**Note:** If you are proposing to grow molluscan shellfish, this application also serves as your written operational plan as required in the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Model Ordinance Chapter 2 and must be maintained in your files. If you wish to submit an operational plan separate from this application, please contact: [DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov](mailto:DMRPUBLICHealthDiv@maine.gov)



## 5. VICINITY MAP

**Note:** Please label as: 'Vicinity Map'.

**Directions:** Using a NOAA Chart or USGS topographic map, show the area within a minimum of one-half mile of the proposed lease site.

The map needs to display the following:

- The waters, shore lands, and lines of mean high and mean low water within the general area of the lease
- An arrow indicating true north
- A scale bar
- The approximate lease boundaries

## 6. BOUNDARY DRAWING

**Note:** Please label as: 'Boundary Drawing'.

**Directions:** Depict the boundaries of the proposed lease site. Provide a drawing with all corners, directions, and distances labeled. Provide coordinates for each corner as follows:

- Coordinate Description

Provide geographic coordinates for each corner of the lease site in latitude and longitude in decimal degrees (e.g., 43.123456 N, -69.123456 W) Identify the datum from the map, chart, or GPS unit used to develop these coordinates. The datum will be shown on the map or chart you are using. The Coordinate Description may be provided separately from the Boundary Drawing.





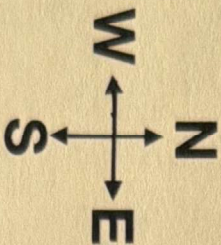
# Maine DMR Aquaculture Map



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## Vicinity Map



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-69.116384 44.035441 Degrees



ESRI, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnology...

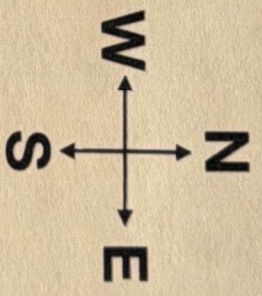




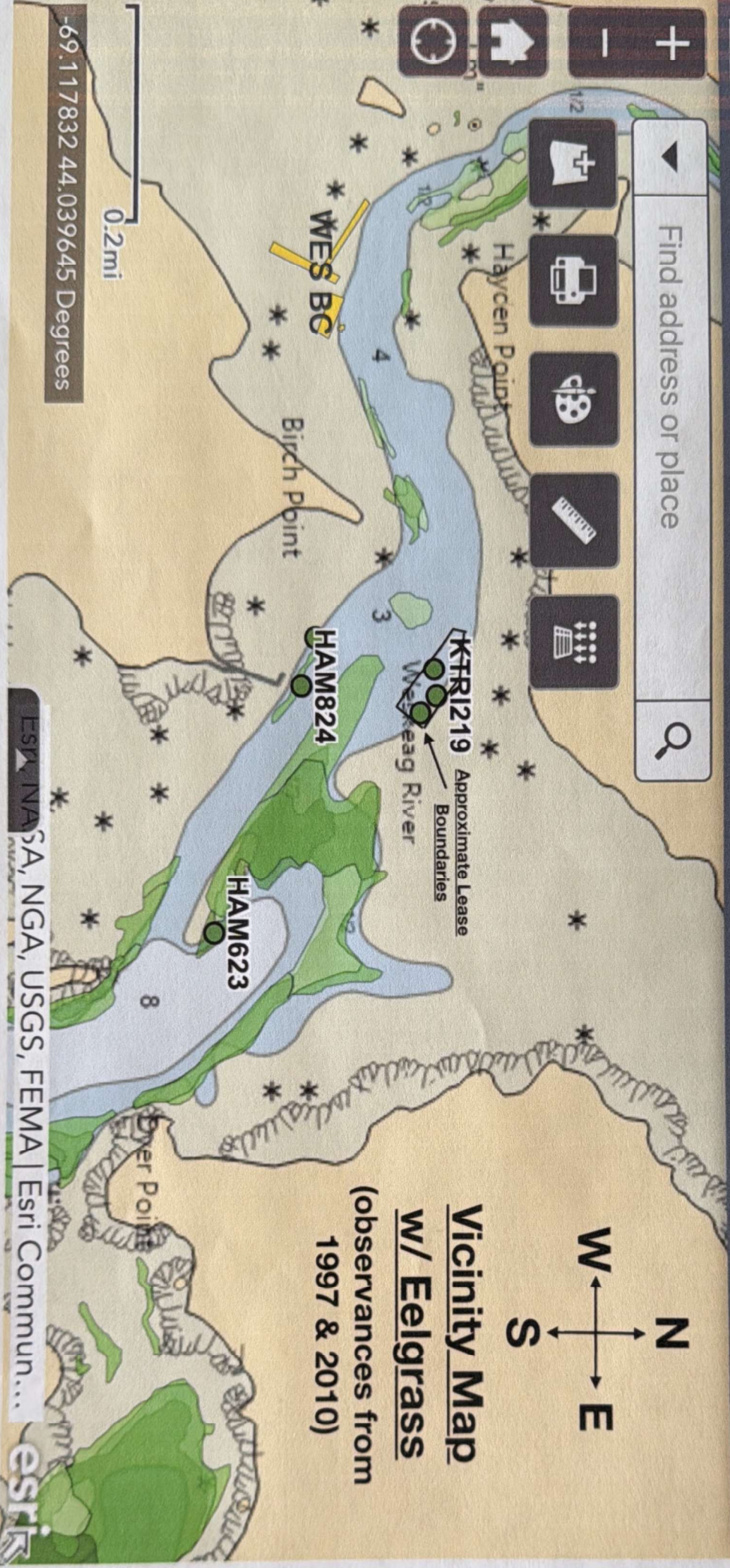
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**Vicinity Map**  
**w/ Eelgrass**  
(observances from  
1997 & 2010)



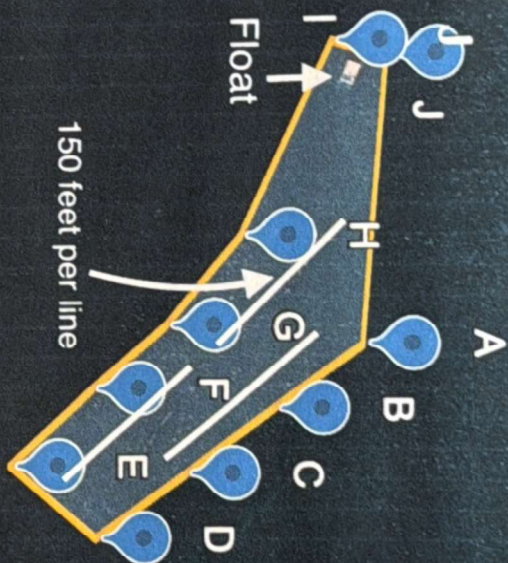
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# BOUNDARY DRAWING

Perimeter =

Area = 1.99  
acres



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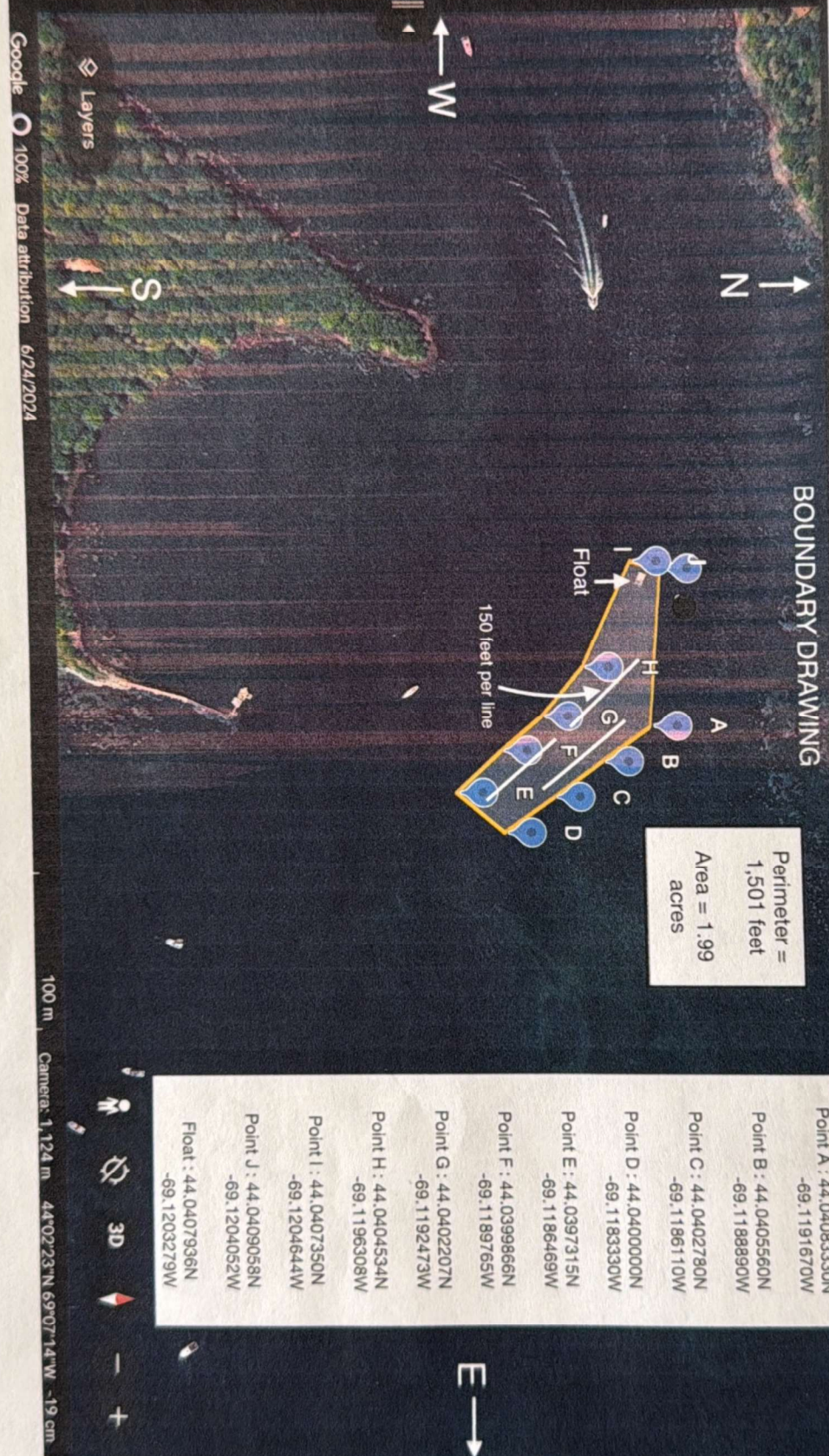
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Layers



- A to B = 124 feet
- B to C = 123 feet
- C to D = 124 feet
- D to E = 126 feet
- E to F = 128 feet
- F to G = 111 feet
- G to H = 133 feet
- H to I = 242 feet
- I to J = 63 feet
- J to A = 327 feet

Lease Boundary



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## 7. SITE DEVELOPMENT

**Directions:** If your operations require the use of cages, nets, ropes, trays, or any object (structure) other than the organism to be grown directly on the bottom or buoys to mark the corners of the lease site, you must submit gear drawings and maximum structure schematics (information below). This section is intended to provide accurate plans depicting the physical structures to be placed in the proposed area. All dimensions need to be labeled with the appropriate units (i.e. 10ft, 10in). If you are proposing a bottom lease (no gear), please skip to question “F. Marking”.

**Note:** You may embed the schematics within the document or attach them to the end of your application. If you attach the schematics, please label them according to the instructions provided below.

### A. Gear Information

**Directions:** Include a drawing of an individual piece of gear for each of the gear type(s) you plan to use. Include units referenced (i.e. 10in, 10ft, etc.).

1. Gear Drawing: Please include the following for each gear type that will hold organisms to be cultured (e.g. polar circles, marine algae longlines, oyster cages) and label as “Gear Drawing”. This view must show the following:
  - Length, width, and height of each gear type.
2. Gear Table: List and describe each individual gear type that you will use in the table below. (e.g. polar circles, marine algae longline, oyster cages, moorings, mooring lines, buoys, etc.).

| Specific Gear Type<br>(e.g. soft mesh bag) | Dimensions<br>(e.g. 16"x20"x2")                           | Time of year gear will be deployed (e.g. Spring, Winter, etc.) | Maximum amount of this gear type that will be deployed on the site (i.e. 200 cages, 100 lantern nets, etc.) | Species that will be grown using this gear type |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Soft Mesh Bags                             | 100cm x 50cm                                              | Spring - Winter                                                | 360 bags                                                                                                    | Oysters                                         |
| Oyster Ranches                             | 40.5in L x 36in W x 9in H                                 | Spring - Winter                                                | 90 Cages                                                                                                    | Oysters                                         |
| Helix Anchors                              | 8in Helical Disk, 1in Shaft Diameter, & 48in Shaft Length | All Year                                                       | 12 Anchors                                                                                                  | Oysters                                         |
| Sink Rope                                  | 3/8's - 1in thick Rope                                    | All Year                                                       | Approximately 750 feet of Rope (counting anchor lines and long lines)                                       | Oysters                                         |
| Plastic Buoys                              | 7.25in x 22in, 6in x 13in, & 13.5in x 29in                | All Year                                                       | 14 Buoys                                                                                                    | Oysters                                         |
| Tumbler/Sorter                             | 10 feet long, 3-4 feet wide, & 4-6 feet tall              | All Year                                                       | 1                                                                                                           | Oysters                                         |
| Float                                      | 24 feet long, 14 feet wide, & 9'2" tall                   | All Year                                                       | 1                                                                                                           | Oysters                                         |
| 1 Ton Granite Moorings                     | Vary                                                      | All Year                                                       | 1                                                                                                           | Oysters                                         |
| Chain                                      | 1/2in thick & 60 feet long                                | All Year                                                       | 4                                                                                                           | Oysters                                         |



# Gear Drawings & On-Site Structures

**POLYFORM LD-SERIES  
BUOYS**



LD3: 13.5" X 29"

**BUOY HARD SHELL 7.25"  
X 22" YELLOW**



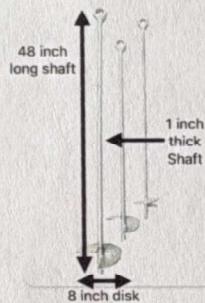
**HARDSHELL LOW DRAG  
BUOY 6" X 13"**



**POT WARP ESTERPRO  
3/8" SINKING**



**HELIX ANCHORS**



**INTERMAS OYSTER BAGS, SQUARE MESH**

Bags measure 100cm long by 50cm wide.



**4-bag Oyster Ranch, Squared Bags**  
40 1/2" L x 36" W x 9" H ( pontoons)



**120" Tumbler - Price \$10950**

- Fully welded 6061 Aluminum frame (144"x24")
- UPGRADED 90VDC Motor with 110VAC Variable Speed Drive
- Stainless Steel Casters
- 1- 15.5" fully welded Aluminum tube with 3 hole sizes (hole sizes 0.5"-2.75")
- Adjustable length legs
- Water resistant toggle switch
- Water line with stainless steel ball valve and quick disconnect





## Gear Drawings & On-Site Structures



**1/2" Grade 43 Galvanized Chain**

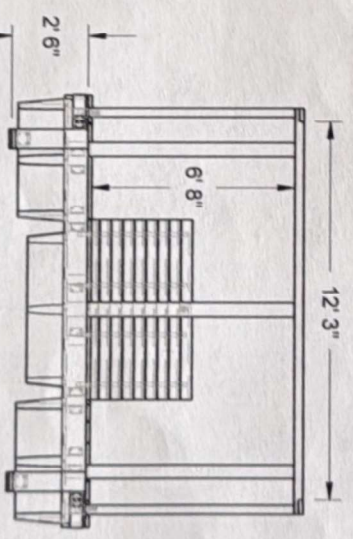
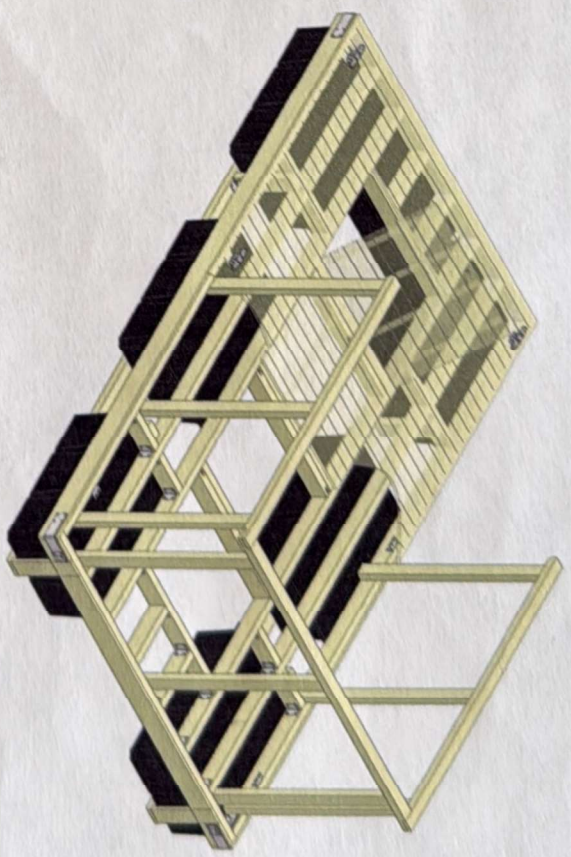
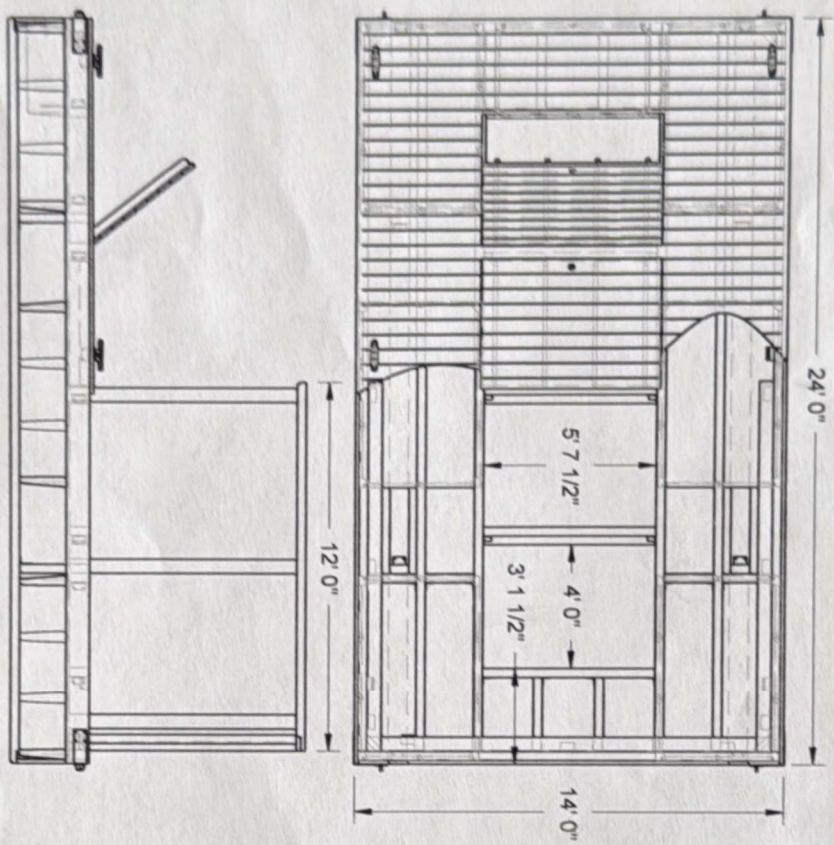


**1 Ton Granite Rock Mooring**



# GEAR DRAWING ON-SITE STRUCTURE

Notes:  
 Unloaded Freeboard: 20"  
 Reserve Buoyancy: 7,630 lbs.  
 Floatation: (6) 4872-20 & (1) 3660-16 float drums  
 Framing: 4" x 8" UC4B PTSTYP  
 Skirt Boards: 2" x 10" UC4B PTSTYP  
 Decking: 2" x 6" UC4B PTSTYP (not shown)



| REVISIONS |     |             |      |
|-----------|-----|-------------|------|
| ZONE      | REV | DESCRIPTION | DATE |
|           |     |             |      |
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Custom Float Services  
 11 Wallace Ave.  
 South Portland ME 04106

Aphrodite Oysters  
 South Thomaston ME 04858

14' x 24' Oyster Float  
 Overview

|                                                                     |               |           |                                                                                         |          |                      |        |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|--------|--|
| Custom Float Services<br>11 Wallace Ave.<br>South Portland ME 04106 | DRAWN         | DATE      | Aphrodite Oysters<br>South Thomaston ME 04858<br><br>14' x 24' Oyster Float<br>Overview |          |                      |        |  |
|                                                                     | Henri Gignoux | 1/31/2023 |                                                                                         |          |                      |        |  |
|                                                                     | CHECKED       |           |                                                                                         |          |                      |        |  |
|                                                                     | QA            |           |                                                                                         |          |                      |        |  |
| MFG                                                                 |               |           | SIZE                                                                                    | FSCM NO. | DWG NO.              | REV    |  |
| APPROVED                                                            |               |           | A                                                                                       |          | 14 x 24 Oyster Float | 2      |  |
|                                                                     |               |           | SCALE                                                                                   | 1:1      | SHEET                | 1 OF 1 |  |



## B. Maximum Structure and Mooring System Schematic

**Directions:** Include drawings of your maximum gear layout. Include units referenced (i.e. 10in, 10ft, etc.).

1. Overhead View. Please include the following and label as “Overhead View”:
  - Maximum layout of gear, including moorings.
  - Length and width of project.
  - Approximate spacing between gear.
  - Lease boundaries and the location of proposed corner markers and any additional gear markers that would be present.
2. Cross-Section View. Please include the following and label as “Cross-Section View”:
  - The sea bottom.
  - Profile of gear in cross-section as it will be deployed.
  - Label gear with dimensions and materials.
  - Show mooring gear with mooring type, scope, hardware, and line type and size.
  - Depth of gear in relation to the water’s surface at mean low water and mean high water (if applicable).

**Note:** Please include an additional Cross Section View, depicting the elements listed above, if there will be seasonal changes to gear layout (i.e. over wintering).

## C. On-Site Support Structures

1. Describe structures such as barges, sheds, etc., to be located on-site. Provide a schematic and indicate the dimensions, including height above sea level, materials, etc.

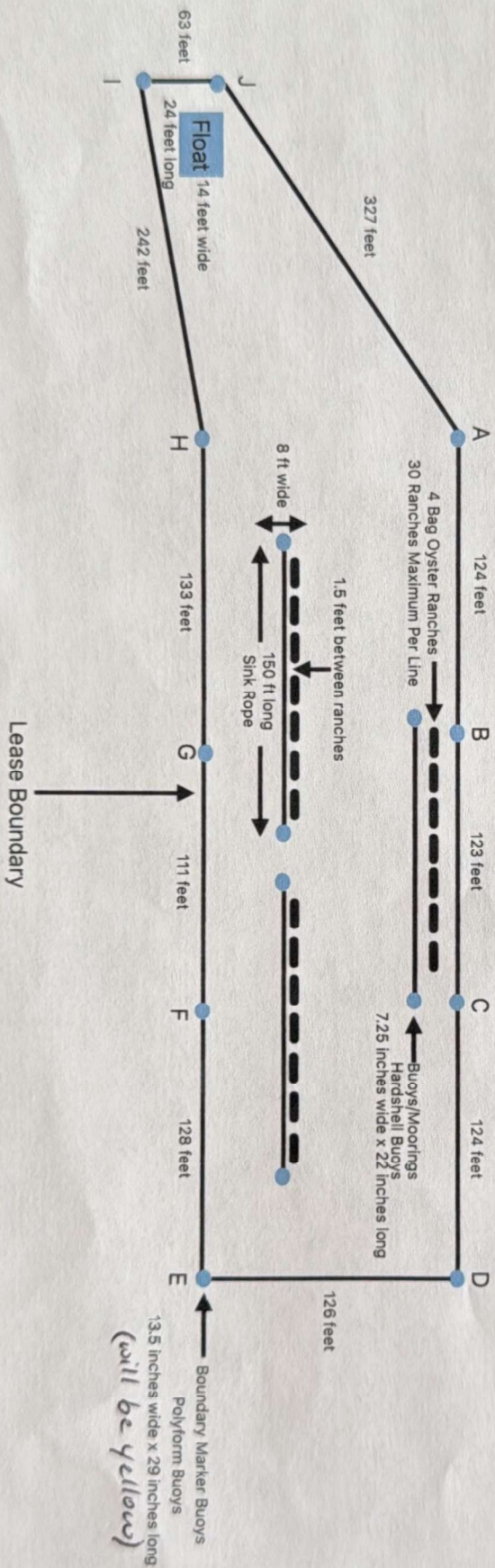
There will be a wooden float with plastic drums. The float is 14 wide and 24 feet long and it will sit 8 feet above sea level because we have a roof on it to protect us from the sun and rain. There will be a tumbler made from aluminum and stainless steel. The tumbler is 3-4 feet wide, 10-12 feet long, and the height is adjustable but it will stand about 4-6 feet high.

2. Describe the storage and use of oil, gasoline, or other hazardous materials on site. If petroleum products are to be stored on site, provide a spill prevention plan.

Gas may be stored on the float. In case of any spills we will use dawn dish soap and oil spill pads to absorb the spill.

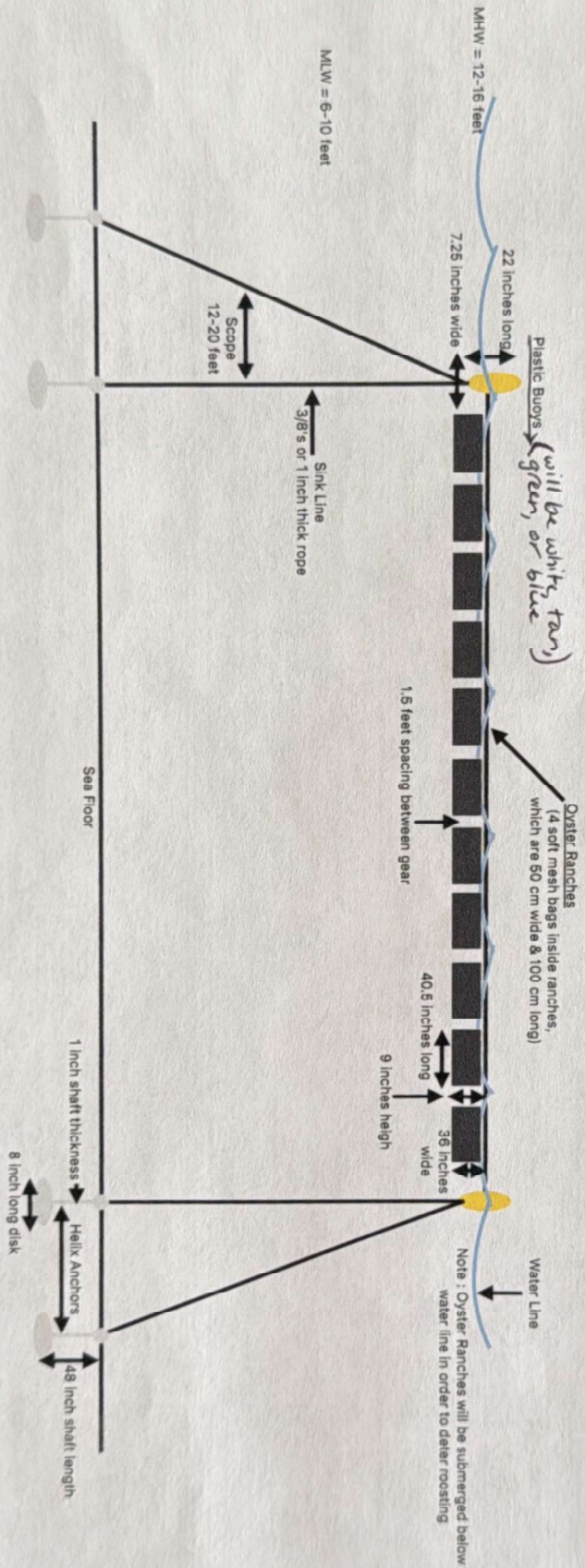


# Overhead View



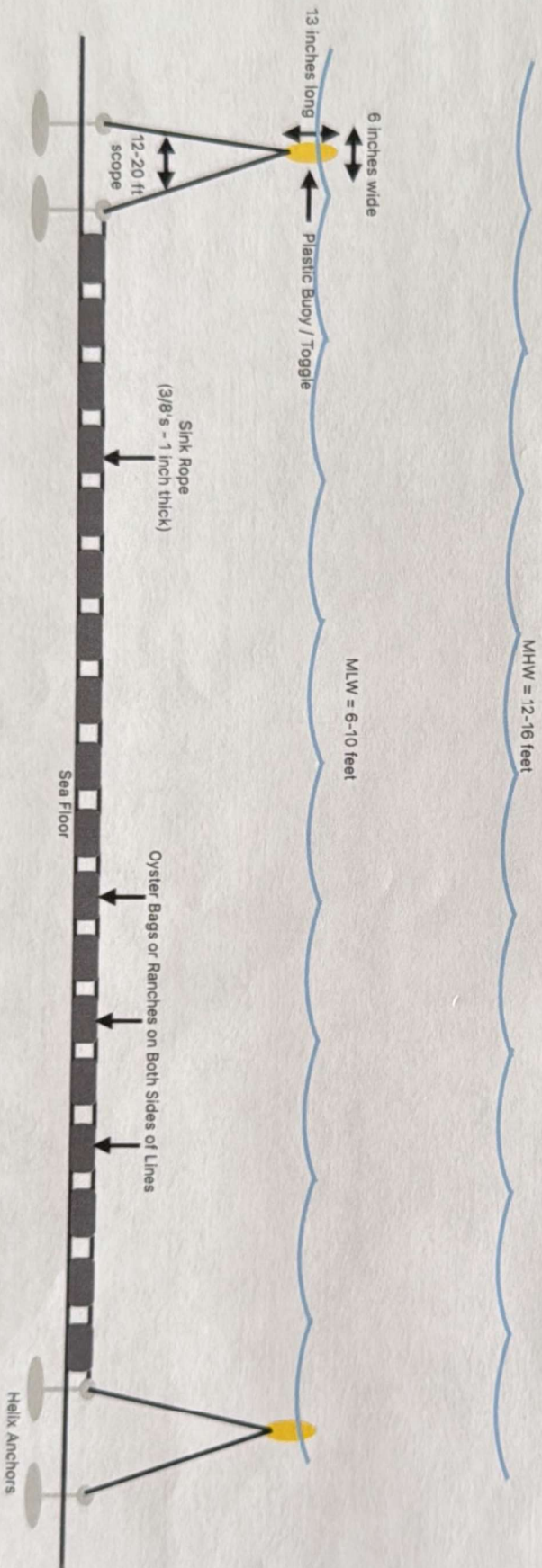


## Cross Section View



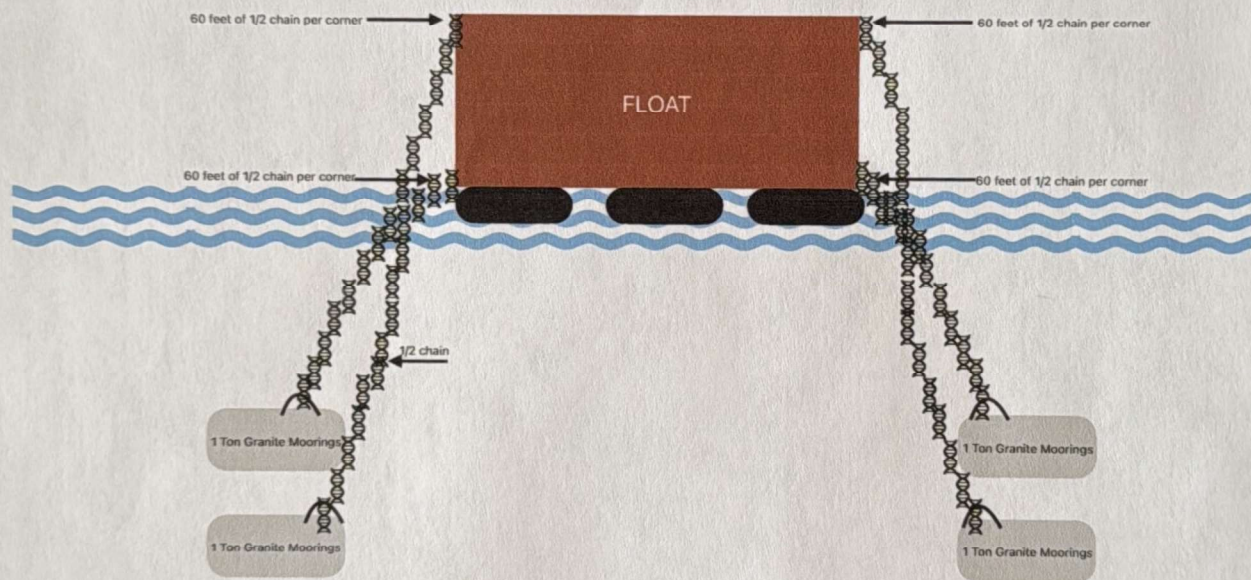


## Over Wintering





## Cross Section View of Moorings and Chain for Float





#### **D. Gear Color**

Provide the color of the gear and structures proposed to be used at the lease site.

The color of buoys that will be used for the anchors will be white, tan, green, or blue so they blend in with the natural colors of the ocean. The boundary marking buoys will be yellow as to clearly mark the boundary of our lease so there is no confusion as to where our lease boundaries are.

#### **E. Equipment Layout**

Provide schematic or photographic renderings of the generalized layout of the equipment as depicted from two vantage points on the water. Provide the locations of the two vantage points.

#### **F. Marking**

Will you be able to mark your site in accordance with DMR regulations, Chapter 2.80? In part, this requires marker buoys which clearly display the lease ID and the words SEA FARM to be located at each corner of the lease. Effective January 1, 2023, marker buoys need to be yellow and host reflective material.

☒ Yes ☐ No

If you answered no, explain why and suggest alternate markings.

**Note:** If a lease is granted, you will also be required to mark the site in accordance with appropriate US Coast Guard Regulations. If you have questions about US Coast Guard Regulations contact: 1<sup>st</sup> Coast Guard District, Aids to Navigation Office (617-223-3293).



## 8. PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES

**Directions:** If you are cultivating more than one species, you will need to provide the following information for each species. Please attach additional pages if needed.

**A.** Please explain your proposed seeding activities. What months will seeding occur and how often will you be onsite to seed during this time.

We will have oysters on site year round. Ranches will only be suspended under the waters surface from March or April until December or January yearly. This is our purge site, where we harvest oysters from. We seed oysters at a different location in the river.

**B.** Please explain your proposed tending/maintenance activities.

We will be out to this purge site harvesting oysters 4-5 days per week. Normally we harvest Mondays-Wednesdays but occasionally we will harvest on other days as well. This includes us taking oysters out of ranches and then cleaning the oysters and bagging them up on our float. We also clean our purge lines by flipping the cages up out of water or we manually scrub the algae off the bags.

**C.** How frequently will you visit the site for routine tending/maintenance (i.e. flipping cages, etc.)?

We will generally be on-site 4-5 times a week.

**D.** Describe the harvesting techniques you will use. If you plan on using a drag, please provide the dimensions.

We harvest by hand. This means we dump the oysters out of the bags into trays or crates and we clean them by manually scrubbing them with brushes. We then rinse them in the ocean water that they came from.



**E.** How often will you be at the site during harvesting periods?

We will be at the site 3-5 days a week during harvesting periods.

**F.** Will gear be on the site year-round? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**G.** Describe any overwintering or “off season” plans for the site. For example, will you remove gear from the site and/or deploy gear in different areas within the proposed site? Please include where gear or product will be located if removed from the site.

We will sink the oysters at this location in the winter for their winter hibernation during our “off” season. Our off season runs from December or January to March or April every winter. We will sink them in the oyster ranches and/or in oyster bags to the bottom the sea floor at this site. We will remove the remainder of the suspended bags and cages during the off season.

**H.** Please provide details on any predator control techniques you plan to employ.

We have no plans for predator control. Our biggest concern for predators is green crab but we luckily have a dedicated green crab fisherman who sets green crab traps throughout the entire river and that definitely helps fight the green crab infestation so we are very lucky!



- I. Suspended culture gear can attract birds that roost on the gear and defecate, potentially creating a pollution source impacting shellfish held within the gear. In order to comply with the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Model Ordinance (MO), DMR is requiring that applications for the suspended culture of shellfish include a description of mitigation or deterrent measures to minimize the potential pollution impacts of birds at the proposed site. If appropriate, include sketches or photos that clearly depict those measures put into practice.

Examples may include:

- Submerging suspended gear and associated product at a depth sufficient to deter roosting for two weeks before harvest
- Attaching physical deterrents (i.e. zip ties) to gear
- The site is proposed for the culture of seed only
- The site is proposed for the culture of adductor-only scallops (i.e. no other shellfish species would be grown on the site)
- Proposed gear would always be suspended below the surface of the water at a depth sufficient to deter roosting (i.e. as is common for scallop lantern nets)

The oyster ranches are submerged at a depth that prevent the birds from being able to defecate on the oysters. We fill the floats on the ranches up with water so the oysters are submerged underneath the waters surface. This prevents the birds from being able to defecate on the oysters.

## 9. NOISE AND LIGHT

**Directions:** If a question does not pertain to your proposed operations, please write “**not applicable**” or “N/A”.

- A. What type of boats will be used on the site? When and how often will these vessels be on the site?

We operate a 24 ft oyster skiff on the site and we will use the vessel 4-5 times per week.

- B. What type of powered equipment (e.g. generator, power washer, grading equipment, barges, etc.) will be used on the site? When and how often will the equipment be used?



We have a sump pump that we use sometimes but that doesn't happen too often, maybe once or twice a week, and it is used in intervals of a few minutes here and there to rinse oysters.

We are planning on getting a tumbler to grade the oysters better and to help our employees get through sorting product quicker and more efficiently. The tumbler will go on the float. We will use it 3-4 days per week but there may be several weeks or months that we don't use it at all. We anticipate using the tumbler for sorting the farm 2-3 times per year : spring, summer, and fall.

**C. Specify how you intend to reduce noise levels from the boats and other powered equipment.**

We shut off the motor of the boat when we are on site. We don't use anything that is super noisy on site; however, if the tumbler ends up being too noisy we will reduce noise levels by enclosing the tumbler in a box or with mats around it.

**D. Provide the number, type (whether fixtures are shielded), wattage and location of lights, other than those used for navigation or marking, that will be used at the proposed lease site.**

We don't use any lights on the site because we only work at the site during daylight hours.

**E. Indicate under what circumstances you might work at your site beyond daylight hours.**

Only in cases of an emergency where we would need to fix something that was catastrophic.

## 10. CURRENT OPERATIONS

**Directions:** If a question does not pertain to your proposed operations, please write “**not applicable**” or “**N/A**”.

**A. Describe your existing aquaculture operations, including the acronyms of all active leases and/or licenses.**

My operation has a “seed site” within the river, which is located near the public landing of the Weskeag River, and it's currently composed of 4 LPA Lines : KTRI1320, KTRI420, DZAI222, & DZAI322. I also have a Lease Site (WES BC), which is the “grow site,” and this is located in the middle of the lower Weskeag River and this site is a 0.97 acre site. The “purge site” consists of 3 LPA Lines : KTRI119, KTRI219, & DZAI120 (which is the site in this lease application that we want to be a standardized lease instead of operating on LPA's and these LPA's would be relinquished if the lease site is granted).



**B.** What are your plans for any existing leases and/or Limited Purpose Aquaculture (LPA) licenses if the lease is granted? Will any existing leases and/or LPA licenses be relinquished if the lease is granted? If so, please indicate which ones.

If this lease site is granted we would relinquish LPA's : KTRI119, KTRI219, and DZAI120. I would rather have this purge site as a lease instead of having to renew the LPA's at this site yearly. The only other thing that would change in the current operations, if this lease is granted, would be the use of a tumbler on the float for sorting oysters.

## 11. ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERIZATION

**Directions:** Using your knowledge of the area, describe the environment of the proposed lease site. Be sure to include units of measurement in your answers (i.e. feet, cm/s).

**A.** What are the approximate depths at mean low water?

MLW = 6-10 feet, depending on tide

**B.** What are the approximate depths at mean high water?

MHW = approximately 12-16 feet, depending on tide

**C.** Provide the approximate current speed and direction during the ebb and flow.

The direction of the ebb and flow runs from east to west and then west to east. The speed of the current varies on the tides but it is approximately 3-4 knots .

**D.** The following questions (D.1 through D.6) may be answered in writing or by submitting a video. If you plan to submit a video, please contact the Department prior to video collection.

**1.** What are the bottom characteristics (mud, sand, gravel, rock, ledge or some mix, etc.)?

Mud



**2. Describe the bottom topography (flat, steep rough, etc.).**

Flat mostly but there is somewhat of a slope near LPA's DZAI120 and KTRI119.

**3. Describe marine organisms by species or common names. Based on your personal observations or other sources of information, are these species abundant, common, or rare?**

Lobster, common  
Green Crab, abundant  
Arctic Rock Borer Clams, common  
Blue Mussels, common  
Blood Worms, common  
Styela Claua Tunicate, common

Star Tunicate, common  
Green Sea Urchin, common  
Sea Squirts, common  
Chain Tunicate, common  
Diplosoma Tunicate, common

**4. Are there shellfish beds or fish migration routes in the surrounding area? If so, please describe.**

Fish migration routes are throughout the Weskeag River, such as : Menhaden, Striper, Mackerel, Pollock, ect.

**5. Describe the presence and extent of submerged aquatic vegetation, i.e. eelgrass, within the proposed lease area. Please include the date of this observation along with the method of observation. If submerged aquatic vegetation is observed, please also describe the abundance below and sketch the limits of the beds in the vicinity map.**

We have not noticed any eelgrass within the boundaries of the proposed lease. These observations took place when we were overwintering oysters this last season. Dates for these observations took place on 12/17/24, 12/31/24, 01/07/25, 01/10/25, and 01/14/25. Our diver didn't notice any eelgrass within the proposed lease area. I included DMR's observance of eelgrass (done in 1997 & 2010) in an enlarged view of the vicinity map on page 4b of this application.

**6. Describe the general shoreline and upland characteristics (rocky shoreline, forested, residential, etc.)**

The shoreline consists of rocks and dead mussel shells at low tide. It is forested along the coastline and has some yearly and summer residents whom live on properties near the proposed lease site.



**E.** Is your proposed lease located within a Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife designated Essential Habitat?

☐ Yes ☒ No

**Note:** The location of Essential Habitats in the State of Maine, along with information on how projects within these areas are reviewed, can be found here: <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/fish-wildlife/wildlife/endangered-threatened-species/essential-wildlife-habitat/index.html>

*If a project is located within an Essential Habitat*, applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the MDIFW Environmental Review Coordinator ([John.Perry@maine.gov](mailto:John.Perry@maine.gov), phone: 207-287-5254) prior to application submission.

**F.** Describe ice formation in the winter months at the proposed site.

We have ice that forms upriver along the coastline but there is no ice formation at this proposed lease site because there is a constant current that prevents the ice from forming there. We do have ice that flows down the river when the ice gets broken up from the tides that come and go, so there's always chunks of ice that float around the river. It's not possible for ice to form at this proposed lease site though.

**Note:** Description of ice should incorporate data such as water temperature or ice out date over a ten-year period or observations over several (no less than 5) recent winters from the harbormaster, a municipal official such as a shellfish warden, local harbor committee, Marine Patrol Officer, fishing/aquaculture industry members, or the applicant.

Stating "no ice observed last year" will not be accepted as a complete answer.

## 12. EXISTING USES

**A.** Describe the existing uses of the proposed area in questions A.1 through A.5 below. Please include the a) type b) time of year c) frequency and d) proximity to the lease site for each existing use.

**1. Commercial Fishing**



Lobster fishing happens mostly near the mouth of the river in the summer when lobsters are most abundant (June-July) but sometimes in late fall, when there's a second bunch of lobsters (October or November), people will also set a few traps here and there. I've never seen any more than 1-2 lobster traps set near my proposed lease site and at a distance of about 100-200 feet away (in the deeper water). Green Crab traps are set throughout the river but I don't see them around my proposed lease site.

## 2. Recreational Fishing

There is some recreational fishing in the Weskeag River but never do I see any of them fishing near or within this proposed lease site. Fishing happens in the summer months, mostly June-August, and the closest proximity I have seen anyone fishing near the proposed lease was at least 1,000 feet away with a fishing pole as the method of fishing.

## 3. Boating Activities (please also include the distance to any navigable channel(s) from your proposed site at low water)

People boat regularly throughout the navigational channel in the Weskeag River. Our site is not within the navigational channel and at low water it is about 300 feet away from it. Boating activities happen frequently from June-December and then sparingly from January-May. Proximity of navigational channel and boating activities range from 300-500 feet away from the proposed lease, depending on the tide.

## 4. Ingress and egress (i.e. coming and going) of shorefront property owners within 1,000 feet of the proposal (e.g. docks, moorings, landing boats on shore, etc.)

There are no landing of boats on shore near this proposed lease site. There is a dock and float about 600-700 feet away owned by Ralph Hamill, who is owner of Weskeag Oysters.

## 5. Other uses (kayaking, swimming, etc.)

There are occasional kayakers seen throughout the Weskeag River, typically from June-September, but we've seen rare occasions of kayakers from October-December as well. Many of them will come up to us while were working the farm and ask us many questions about aquaculture, they seem very interested to learn about oysters and are always super excited to chat with us. There are no swimmers near our proposed lease, we've never seen anyone swimming unless we send down a diver to do some work on the farm.

**B.** Are there private docks, moorings, or other access points within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease? If yes, please include approximate distance from the proposed lease.



There is a float owned by myself already in the proposed lease site and there is also a mooring owned by myself near the proposed lease site. My mooring is about 500 feet, to the west, away from the proposed lease site. There are a couple private moorings on the other side of the navigational channel, to the south of the proposed lease, near Ralph Hamill's operations. Those moorings are approximately 700-800 feet away, to the south, from my proposed lease site.

- C. Are there public beaches, parks, docking facilities or federally, state, or municipally conserved lands within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site? If yes, please describe and include approximate distances from proposed lease.

No

- D. Are there any Limited Purpose Aquaculture (LPA) licenses or aquaculture leases within 1,000 feet of your proposed lease site? If yes, please list their acronyms below.

Current and pending aquaculture leases and active LPA licenses may be found here:  
<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/index.html>

Yes. There are 2 LPA's owned by Ralph Hamill : HAM723 and HAM824. There is 1 LPA owned by Dmytro Zaiets : DZAI120. There are 2 LPA's owned by myself, Krista Tripp : KTRI119 & KTRI219.



### 13. RIPARIAN LANDOWNERS AND SITE ACCESS

A. If your lease is within 1,000ft of shorefront land (**which extends to mean low water or 1,650 ft. from shore, whichever is less, according to NOAA charts**), the following supporting documents are required:

1. A labeled copy of a tax map(s) depicting the location of the proposed lease site and including the following elements:
  - Label the map "Tax Map: Town of (name of town)."
  - Legible scale
  - Tax lot numbers clearly displayed
  - The boundaries of the proposed lease
2. Please use the Riparian Landowner List (included on the next page) to list the name and address of every shorefront landowner within 1,000ft of the proposed lease site. Have the tax collector or clerk of the municipality certify the list. Refer to the riparian determination guidance document to ensure all riparian landowners are included: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/forms/documents/RiparianDetermination.pdf>
3. If any portion of the site is intertidal, you need to complete the steps outlined in the section titled: "Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements".

B. Will your access to the lease area be across riparian land?

☐ Yes    ☒ No

**Note:** If you selected yes, you will need to complete the landowner permission requirements included in "Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements" of this application.

C. How will you access the proposed site?

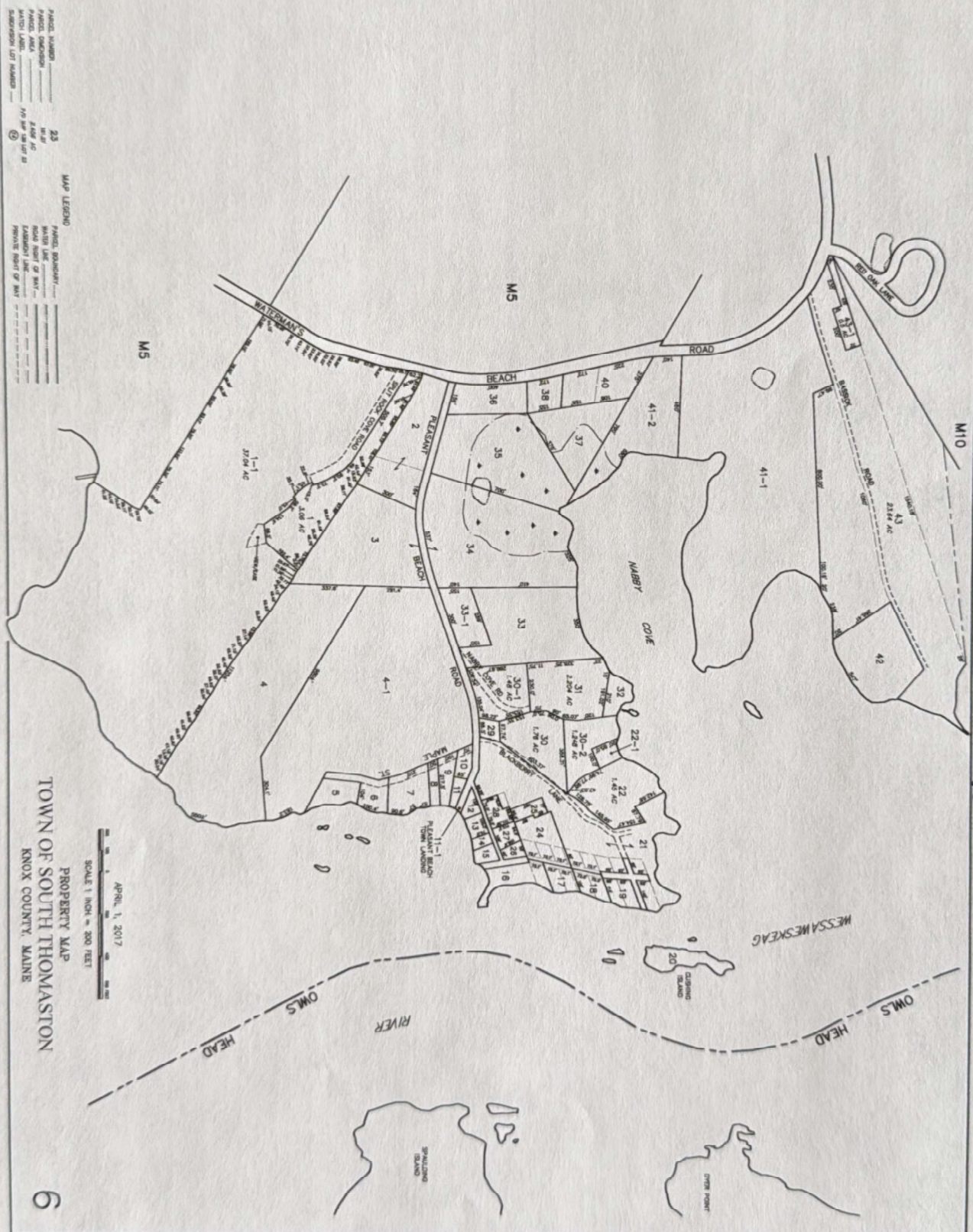
I will take a boat from the public landing in South Thomaston.

D. How will your proposed activities affect riparian ingress and egress?

None of my activities will affect riparian ingress and egress. I have been operating at this site for the last 7 years without affecting anyone.



- Boundaries of proposed Lease



PARCEL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ 23  
 PARCEL DIMENSION \_\_\_\_\_ IN. BY  
 PARCEL AREA \_\_\_\_\_ AC  
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 SURVEY LOT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ 23

MAP LEGEND

PROPERTY MAP  
TOWN OF SOUTH THOMASTON

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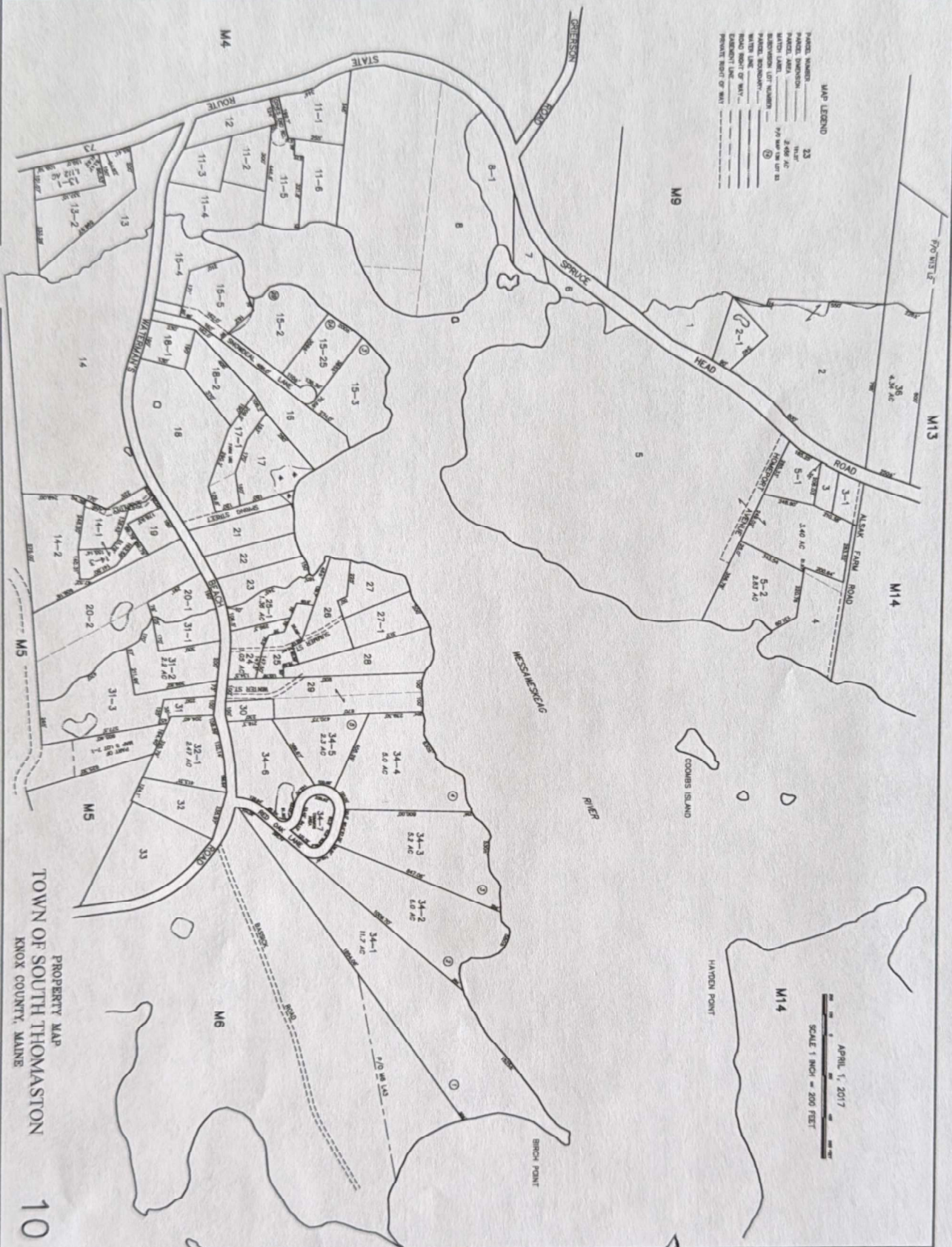
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MATCH LABEL 9/9 MAP 136 LOT 23  
SUBDIVISION LOT NUMBER 17  
PANEL BOUNDARY  
WATER LINE  
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PROPERTY MAP  
TOWN OF SOUTH THOMASTON  
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### Boundaries of Proposed Lease

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Boundaries of Proposed Lease



## 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 proposed 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:** \_\_\_\_\_

| MAP # | LOT # | Landowner name(s) and address(es) |
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**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach hereto.**

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk for the Town of \_\_\_\_\_ 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:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_



## RIPARIAN LANDOWNER LIST

Using municipal tax records, complete the table below for all riparian shorefront parcels within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site. **It is the applicant's responsibility to assemble the information for the municipality to certify.** The municipality only certifies that the information is correct according to the town's tax records. Once you have completed the form, ask the municipality to complete the certification section below. Attach additional pages as necessary.

|                              |                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Name of Municipality:</b> | South Thomaston, Maine |
|------------------------------|------------------------|

| <b>Tax Map Number</b> | <b>Lot Number</b> | <b>Name of Landowner(s)</b>                                | <b>Mailing Address (Based on municipal tax records)</b>        |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6                     | 42                | Curtis & Nancy Renner                                      | 1104 Collingwood Rd,<br>Alexandria, VA. 22308                  |
| 6                     | 43                | Ralph Hamill &<br>Susan Akers                              | 79 Bassick Rd.<br>South Thomaston, ME. 04858                   |
| 10                    | 34-1              | Darryl & Stephen Flagg                                     | P.O. Box 993<br>Jefferson, ME. 04348                           |
| 10                    | 35                | NA                                                         | None Existent Parcel - see attached letter<br>from Town Office |
| 14                    | 118               | Hamrick, Lois C.<br>Trust (Trustee) -<br>C/O Lois Hamrick  | 7052 Pershing Ave.<br>St. Louis, MO. 63130                     |
| 14                    | 118-1             | Dorothy Streett                                            | P.O. Box 130<br>Bowdoinham, ME. 04008                          |
| 14                    | 118-2             | Stephen Salmore<br>Revocable Trust<br>C/O - Barbara Salmon | P.O. Box 214<br>So. Thomaston, ME. 04858                       |
| 14                    | 119               | Rolland & Elaine Hall                                      | 11 Partridgeberry Lane,<br>Keene, NH. 03431                    |
| 14                    | 120               | Sharon Howard<br>C/O Shana Howard                          | 23412 Pacific Park Dr. (Unit 23E)<br>Aliso Viejo, CA. 92656    |
| 14                    | 121               | Matthew & Anne Stern                                       | 9 Taylor Point Rd.<br>Tenants Harbor, ME. 04860                |
| 14                    | 122               | Carlton & Sue Thurston                                     | P.O. Box 131<br>So. Thomaston, ME. 04858                       |
| 14                    | 123-1             | Geoffrey Smith &<br>Sarah Spence                           | 343 Tappan Street (Apt. 5)<br>Brookline, MA. 02445             |

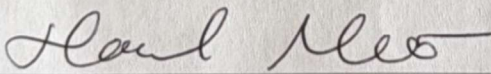




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| 14 | 123    | Geoffrey Smith &<br>Sarah Spenc  | 343 Tappan Street (Apt. 5)<br>Brookline, MA. 02445 |
| 14 | 124-1  | Georges River<br>Land Trust      | P.O. Box B<br>Rockland, ME. 04841                  |
| 14 | 133-1  | David Iannotti                   | P.O. Box 335<br>So. Thomason, ME. 04858            |
| 14 | 133-22 | Meredith Cowan                   | P.O. Box 248, So. Thomaston, ME. 04858             |
| 14 | 133-21 | Kevin & Shelly<br>Photiades      | 38 Maplewood Ave.<br>Maplewood, NJ. 07040          |
| 14 | 133-20 | Jaime Hey &<br>Kristine Harrison | 2320 Olde Queen Terrace<br>Midlothian, VA. 23113   |
| 14 | 133-31 | David & Donna<br>Withington      | P.O. Box 331<br>So. Thomaston, ME. 04858           |

### Town Certification

By signing below, I am certifying on behalf of the municipality listed above that the names and addresses of the property owners, including the map and lot numbers, are those listed in the records of this municipality and are current as of this date.

|                      |                                                                                                                                                        |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Printed Name:</b> | Hannah Moholland                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Signature:</b>    |                                                                     |
| <b>Position:</b>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Clerk <input type="checkbox"/> Town Assessor<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other town official. Please specify: |
| <b>Date:</b>         | 2/11/2025                                                                                                                                              |







Town of South Thomaston, Maine  
125 Spruce Head Road  
P.O. Box 147  
South Thomaston, ME 04858-0147

Tel: 207-596-6584  
E-mail: [Hannah@souththomaston.me](mailto:Hannah@souththomaston.me)

**Selectmen:**  
Jeff Northgraves  
John Spear  
Sue Snow

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February 10, 2025

To whom it may concern,

Krista Tripp came to me regarding Map 10 Lot 35 and we do not have any information regarding this piece of property and that this is a "Non-Existent" property here in South Thomaston.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at (207)596-6584.

Thank you,

Hannah Moholland  
Town Administrator





Layers

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Hayden Point Dr

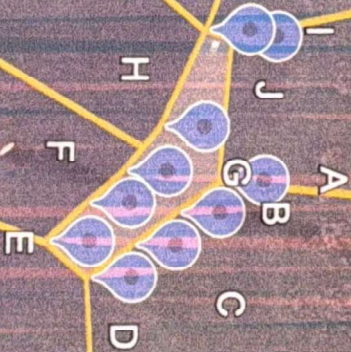
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Brown's Pt

1,000 feet around  
proposed lease

Annie Higbee  
DownHomeMaine

Shoreline Sauna



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Crab Island

44°02'25"N 69°07'19"W 40 cm



## 14. TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

Provide information regarding professional expertise. Attaching resume or documentation of practical experience necessary to accomplish the proposed project would satisfy this requirement.

I have been oyster farming for 7 years. I have a lease, WES BC, and I have 4 LPA's : KTRI119, KTRI219, KTRI320, and KTRI420. I took an aquaculture class at the Island Institute but I did not get a certificate for completing the class.

## 15. FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

### A. Financial Capability

Please provide a letter from a financial institution indicating the applicant has an account in good standing.

**Note:** Any financial information you submit with your application is part of the public record. Please exercise discretion when submitting financial information.

Attached (pg. 19a)

### B. Cost Estimates

Please provide cost estimates of the proposed aquaculture activities.

We already have everything on site because we've been operating this site with 3 LPA's : DZAI120, KTRI119, and KTRI219. However, the additional tumbler will cost approximately \$15,000.00.





September 27, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to confirm that Krista E Tripp/Aphrodite Oysters LLC has accounts in good standing with us at First National Bank.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Curtis | Phone Center Consultant

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A division of The First Bancorp  
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## 16. ESCROW ACCOUNT OR PERFORMANCE BOND

Check the category that describes your operation:

| Check Here | Lease Category                                    | Amount of Required Escrow or Performance |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
|            | No gear/structure, no discharge                   | \$500.00                                 |
|            | No gear/structure, discharge                      | \$500.00                                 |
|            | ≤ 400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge | \$1,500.00                               |
| X          | >400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge  | \$5,000.00*                              |
|            | Gear/Structure, discharge                         | \$25,000.00                              |

\*DMR may increase the bond/escrow requirements for leases with more than 2,000 square feet of structure.

I, (printed name of applicant) Krista Tripp have read DMR Aquaculture Regulations Chapter 2.64(10) (D) and if this proposed lease is granted by DMR, I will either open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond, in the amount determined by the lease category.

Krista Tripp  
Applicant Signature

02/10/25  
Date

Note: Add title if signing on behalf of a corporate applicant.

**ADDITIONAL APPLICANTS:** Each applicant must sign this section indicating that they will open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond. Use the space below for additional persons listed on the application. You may attach additional pages, if necessary.

I, (printed name of applicant) \_\_\_\_\_ have read DMR Aquaculture Regulations Chapter 2.64(10) (D) and if this proposed lease is granted by DMR, I will either open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond, in the amount determined by the lease category.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Note: Add title if signing on behalf of a corporate applicant.



## 17. APPLICANT SIGNATURE PAGE

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 standard lease process.

Printed name: Krista Tripp

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

Signature: Krista Tripp Date: ~~02/10/25~~ 02/10/25

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): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**18. LANDOWNER/MUNICIPAL PERMISSION REQUIREMENTS (if applicable)**

**Directions:** If any portion of the site is intertidal, you need to complete the steps outlined below.

**Step I: Obtain written permission from all intertidal landowners.**

Obtain written permission from all intertidal landowners. Pursuant to 12 M.R.S.A. §6072(4)(F), the applicant must submit written permission of every riparian owner whose land to the low water mark will be used. The written permission needs to include the parcel and lot number of the shorefront owner(s), whose intertidal property the proposed site occupies, as recorded on the riparian landowner list.

**Step II: Determine if the municipality where your site is located has a shellfish conservation program.**

Pursuant to 12 MRSA §6072(3) *In any municipality with a shellfish conservation program under section 6671, the Commissioner may not lease areas in the **intertidal zone** within the municipality without the consent of the municipal officers.*

If the municipality where the proposed lease site is located has a shellfish conservation program, it is your responsibility to obtain consent for the proposed lease site from the municipal officers (i.e. the selectmen or councilors of the town, or the mayor and aldermen or councilors of a city.) Consent means a majority vote of the municipal officers as recorded in a public meeting.

It is your responsibility to contact the municipality and determine if they have a shellfish conservation program. Best practices would include discussing your plans with shellfish committee members, but only the consent of municipal officers is required.

Does the municipality, where the proposed site is located, have a shellfish conservation program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**If you answered yes**, please attach documentation from a public meeting demonstrating that a majority of municipal officers have consented to your proposal.