AQUACULTURE PUBLIC SCOPING SESSION

September 13, 2022 2:00 pm Harpswell Town Office 263 Mountain Rd Harpswell, 04079

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

Applicant	Goose Island Oysters LLC	
Culture Type	Suspended culture (gear on bottom and/or suspended)	
Species	Shellfish and Marine algae	
Town	Harpswell	
Waterbody, General Description	Middle Bay; West of Upper Goose Island	
Lease Size and Term	10.4 acres	20 years

If the scoping session listed above is cancelled, an alternate scoping session will be held on September 14, 2022, at the same time and location. Notice of a cancellation will be posted on the Department's website at https://www.maine.gov/dmr/index.html.

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 website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/draftstandardapps.html.

If you have questions about the standard leasing process, please contact the Aquaculture Division at: <u>DMRaquaculture@maine.gov</u> or 624-6573.

For disability accommodations, contact Melissa Macaluso at: (207) 624-6553 or <u>Melissa.Macaluso@maine.gov</u>; or 877-243-2823, TTY 711