



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
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04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: April 5, 2021

To: Towns of Damariscotta and Newcastle
Paul Bryant, Damariscotta and Newcastle Harbormaster
Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of proposed aquaculture lease site
State agencies as required by applicable statute
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From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR), Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Scheduled Aquaculture Lease Hearing

The DMR is holding a remote public hearing to take evidence on an aquaculture lease application for the following:

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| Applicant Name and Lease Type | Christopher Dickinson | <input type="checkbox"/> Experimental Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard Lease |
| Culture Type | <input type="checkbox"/> Bottom culture (No gear) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended culture (Gear on bottom and/or suspended) |
| Species | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shellfish | <input type="checkbox"/> Marine algae <input type="checkbox"/> Finfish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other |
| General Location, Town | Southwest of Hog Island, Damariscotta River, Towns of Damariscotta and Newcastle | |
| Acreage Requested | 1 acre | |
| Lease Term Requested | 20 years | |

The remote public hearing on this application has been scheduled as follow:

May 10, 2021

3:00 p.m.

Remote hearing conducted via Microsoft Teams

If the remote public hearing listed above is postponed an alternate remote public hearing will be held on **May 11, 2021** at the same time. Notice of a postponement will be posted on the Department's website.

PARTICIPATING IN THE HEARING: Interested persons may participate in the remote hearing by computer or phone. To help manage the proceeding, interested persons need complete an online

registration form no later than **5:00 p.m., April 25, 2021**. After the registration deadline, DMR will contact interested persons with information about how to join the remote hearing. If you are unable to register online or need assistance with the form, please contact DMR.

Online registration can be completed at:

<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/meetinglist.html>.

INTERVENING: Applications to intervene need to be received by DMR no later than **5:00 p.m., April 25, 2021**. DMR will decide whether to grant intervenor applications five days before the hearing. If you are granted intervenor status, you become a legal party to the proceeding. See the contact information below to request an intervenor application from DMR. You do not need to be an intervenor to participate in the proceeding.

INFORMATION ON DMR WEBSITE: See DMR's website, for the lease application and DMR site report: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html>.

Address questions to:

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(207) 624-6567

Send e-mails to DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

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

RELEVANT AUTHORITY: Chapter 2 of DMR regulations; 5 M.R.S.A. §9501 et seq. & 12 M.R.S.A. §6072(1) et seq., & 12 M.R.S.A. §6072-A(1) et seq.