

**Subject:** Application of Blackstone Point Oysters, LLC for a standard lease - hearing scheduled

**Re:** Notice of Scheduled Aquaculture Lease Hearing

The Department of Marine Resources (DMR) is holding a remote public hearing to take evidence on an aquaculture lease application for the following:

Applicant Name and Lease Type	Black Stone Point Oysters, LLC	<input type="checkbox"/> Experimental Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard Lease
Culture Type	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Other
General Location, Town	South of Hog Island, Damariscotta River, Damariscotta	
Acreage Requested	12.98	
Lease Term Requested	20 years	

This proceeding was originally postponed due to COVID-19. The public hearing on this application has now been rescheduled as follows:

**October 20, 2020**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Remote hearing conducted via Microsoft Teams**

If the public hearing listed above is postponed an alternate remote public hearing will be held on October 21, 2020, at the same time. Notice of a postponement will be posted on the Department's website.

**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>

**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 p.m. on October 13, 2020**. 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>

**RELEVANT AUTHORITY:** The rules governing the leasing program are found in Chapter 2 of DMR regulations. The statutory provisions are: 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.

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