

**My name is Hunter Penney I'm 15 years old I'm a 4<sup>th</sup> generation fisherman. I fish out of Belfast and own my own lobster boat, and for the past 4 years I have been lobster fishing the bay. I fish 150 traps and want to expand in the future and when I graduate High School. I want to be a Lobster Fisherman full time. I'm speaking tonight because I have concerns over the impact of lobster fishing if the Salmon Farm is built in Belfast, and the effects it will have on Penobscot Bay. One thing I have learned is lobstermen and lobsterwomen in our state have worked very hard at protecting our way of life and protecting our resources for my future and future generations. I'm worried that if the Salmon Farm is built it's going to mess up the eco system in our bay thus potentially jeopardizing my future and all the fishermen who depend on making a living.**