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AQUACULTURE LEASE APPLICATION – PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Keith Butterfield has applied for a limited-purpose (experimental) aquaculture lease on two tracts totaling 3.20 acres located southeast of Moshier Island and southeast of Little Moshier Island, Casco Bay, Yarmouth for suspended culture of American/Eastern oysters and sea scallops. Other compatible uses of the area would be permitted. The application is posted on the DMR website at www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture, under "Pending Aquaculture Lease Applications."

The Commissioner announces a public comment period for this application. A public hearing is required only if requested in writing by five (5) or more interested persons prior to the comment deadline.

The DEADLINE for COMMENTS and HEARING REQUESTS is:

October 11, 2016

Mail written comments or hearing requests to:

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