



NOTICE OF SCHEDULED AQUACULTURE LEASE HEARING

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

Applicant Name Lease Type:		Robert S. Baines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Experimental
Culture Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom culture (No gear)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended culture (Bottom and/or surface gear)	
Species:	<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine algae	<input type="checkbox"/> Finfish <input type="checkbox"/> Other
General Location, Town:	Northwest of Hewett Island, Muscle Ridge Archipelago, Unorganized Territory, Knox County		
Acreage Requested: 4 Acres	Lease Term Requested: 3 Years		

The public hearing on this application has been scheduled as follows:

September 16, 2019

6:00 p.m.

St. George Town Hall

3 School Street

Tenants Harbor, ME 04860

If the public hearing listed above is cancelled, an alternate public hearing will be held on September 19, 2019, at the same location. Notice of a cancellation will be posted on the Department's website.

Applications to intervene need to be received by DMR no later than **4:00 p.m. on September 1, 2019**. DMR will decide whether to grant intervenor applications five days before the hearing. Please review the section below for more information.

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 AT THE HEARING: Any interested person may attend the hearing and ask questions of the parties or testify under oath about the effect of the proposed lease. Aquaculture lease hearings are adjudicatory proceedings. If you intend to participate, please visit DMR's website to learn more about these types of proceedings. On DMR's website the following are posted: the lease criteria, hearing procedures, and suggestions for effective public participation during the hearing. <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/public-participation.html>

INTERVENING: If you apply for and are granted intervenor status, you become a legal party to the proceeding. See the contact information below to request an intervenor application from DMR.

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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