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04333-0021

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Date: January 8, 2024

To: Town of South Thomaston, Municipal Officials and Christopher Hansen, Harbormaster
Lease applicant
Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the proposal
ME IF&W, and DACF
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From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Lease Amendment Application

DMR has received a completed lease amendment application for the following:

Lease Acronym	WES UR	
Applicant	Weskeag River Shellfish Farms, LLC	
Waterbody, Town	Upper Weskeag River, South Thomaston	
Proposed Amendment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Species change	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gear change
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 pm on January 23, 2024	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: DMR announces a **14-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments to DMR on the proposed amendment(s). Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: A copy of the application is available on DMR's aquaculture webpage under 'Maine Aquaculture Leases and LPAs.'

CONTACT THE APPLICANT: Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposed amendment(s). Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

DMR PROCEDURE: After the comment submission deadline, DMR will review the proposed amendment application and all comments received. DMR may grant proposed lease amendment(s) if they do not violate any of the lease decision criteria, are consistent with the original lease decision, and do not violate any of the conditions set forth in the original lease. No hearing will be held on this amendment application. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact the Aquaculture Division (207) 350-7815 or DMRaquaculture@maine.gov