

Public Notice
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease Gear Modification –
Daniel N. Worrell and Shell & Barrell, LLC #597, Worcester County

The Secretary of Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), pursuant to Natural Resources Article, §4-11A-09(g), Annotated Code of Maryland, is giving notice of a proposed gear modification application for an existing shellfish aquaculture water column lease, WO 569, held by Daniel N. Worrell and Shell & Barrell, LLC in Brockatonorton Bay, Worcester County, Maryland. The existing 5.9-acre lease is located on the northeastern side of the bay along Duers Neck, approximately 100 feet from shore, and is enclosed by a line beginning at comer 1, at or near Lat. 38° 6' .5" N., Long. 75° 19' 15.511 W., then running 295° 9' (True), approximately 261 meters to comer 2, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 4.1" N., Long. 75° 19' 25.2" W., then running 19° 15' (True), approximately 91 meters to comer 3, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 6.91" N., Long. 75° 19' 23.96" W., then running 108° 47' (True), approximately 123 meters to comer 4, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 5.69" N., Long. 75° 19' 19.14" W., then running 136° 41' (True), approximately 79 meters to comer 5, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 3.84" N., Long. 75° 19' 16.86" W., then running 124° 58' (True), approximately 68 meters to comer 6, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 2.611 N., Long. 75° 19' 14.53" W., then running 200° 5' (True), approximately 69 meters to the point of beginning.

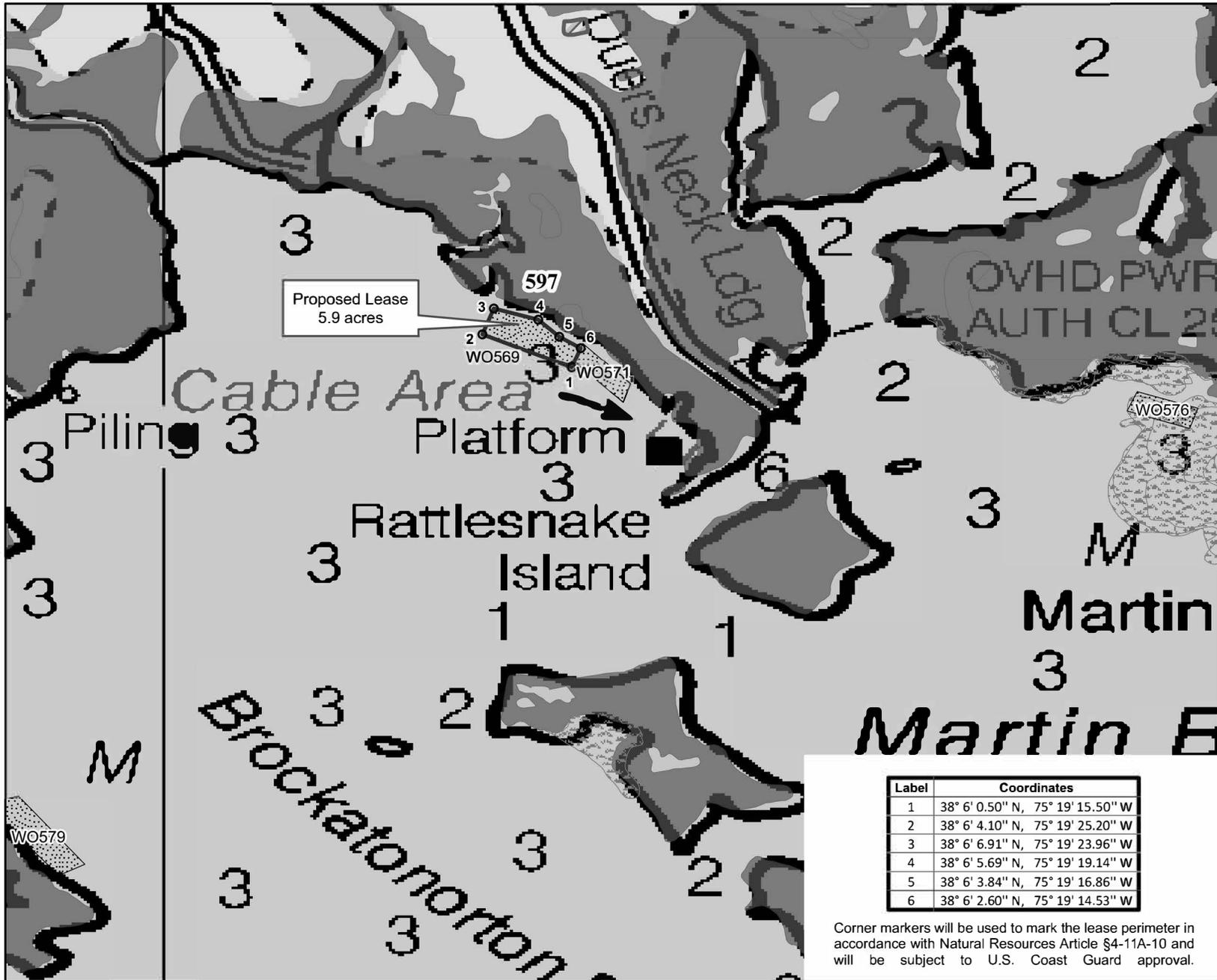
The leaseholder intends to continue use of currently approved floating cages and proposes the addition of cages on bottom up to a maximum height of 18" inches. Both gear types are proposed to be deployed concurrently within the lease. The applicant plans to continue culturing Eastern oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), and to harvest using methods approved by the Department. Lease corners will remain marked in accordance with Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.23.03. A map of the proposed lease is available on the Fishing and Boating Services Public Notice web page, dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/Pub_Notices.aspx

The Department will hold a public informational meeting upon written request from a member of the public. In addition, any person who has a specific right, duty, privilege, or interest that is different from that held by the general public and may be adversely affected by the proposed gear modification may file a Petition of Protest with the Department. Petitions that meet the requirements of Natural Resources Article §4-11A-09(g) shall be forwarded to the Office of Administrative Hearings for adjudication. Comments, written requests for a public informational meeting, and/or Petitions of Protest, must pertain only to the proposed gear modification, rather than the existing lease footprint or currently authorized lease activities, and must be received by the Department of Natural Resources Aquaculture and Industry Enhancement Division 580 Taylor Avenue E-4 Annapolis, MD 21401 by July 28th, 2025. For questions about the project or the public notice, please contact the DNR Aquaculture and Industry Enhancement Division at aquaculturepubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov or 410-260-8252.

Josh Kurtz, Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Proposed Shellfish Water Column Lease Gear Modification NAV Chart Map

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Lease Area shown over NOAA Raster Navigational Charts.

- Proposed New Gear Area
- Land-Based Sanctuaries and Refuges (state, federal, private, etc)
- Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (VIMS)
- Structures (Piers, Marinas, etc)
- Wetlands of Special State Concern (MD-DNR)
- Active Shellfish Lease
- Proposed Shellfish Lease
- Tidal Wetlands (NWI Wetlands) (excludes E1 type)



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Label	Coordinates
1	38° 6' 0.50" N, 75° 19' 15.50" W
2	38° 6' 4.10" N, 75° 19' 25.20" W
3	38° 6' 6.91" N, 75° 19' 23.96" W
4	38° 6' 5.69" N, 75° 19' 19.14" W
5	38° 6' 3.84" N, 75° 19' 16.86" W
6	38° 6' 2.60" N, 75° 19' 14.53" W

Corner markers will be used to mark the lease perimeter in accordance with Natural Resources Article §4-11A-10 and will be subject to U.S. Coast Guard approval.

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