

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES**  
**APPLICATION FOR SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASE – SCOTT BUDDEN & RICHARD**  
**BUDDEN**

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 an application for a shellfish aquaculture water column lease by Scott Budden and Richard Budden. The applicants propose to add an additional gear type to their existing lease in the Chester River, Kent County, Maryland, located off of the Eastern Neck Island Wildlife Reserve between Boxes Point and Belts Bar Point. The area for the new gear has been proposed by the applicants to fall directly within the footprint of their existing water column lease, KE 503. The area applied for contains 4.9 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 39° 2' 48.0" N., Long. 76° 12' 34.3" W., then running 330° 1' (True), approximately 269 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 39° 2' 55.6" N., Long. 76° 12' 39.9" W., then running 62° 25' (True), approximately 73 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 39° 2' 56.7" N., Long. 76° 12' 37.2" W., then running 149° 29' (True), approximately 266 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 39° 2' 49.2" N., Long. 76° 12' 31.6" W., then running 240° 29' (True), approximately 75 meters to the point of beginning.

The applicants propose to deploy surface floats as an additional gear type to be used on their existing lease for the purpose of culturing Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), and to harvest using methods approved by the Department. A map of the proposed lease is attached.

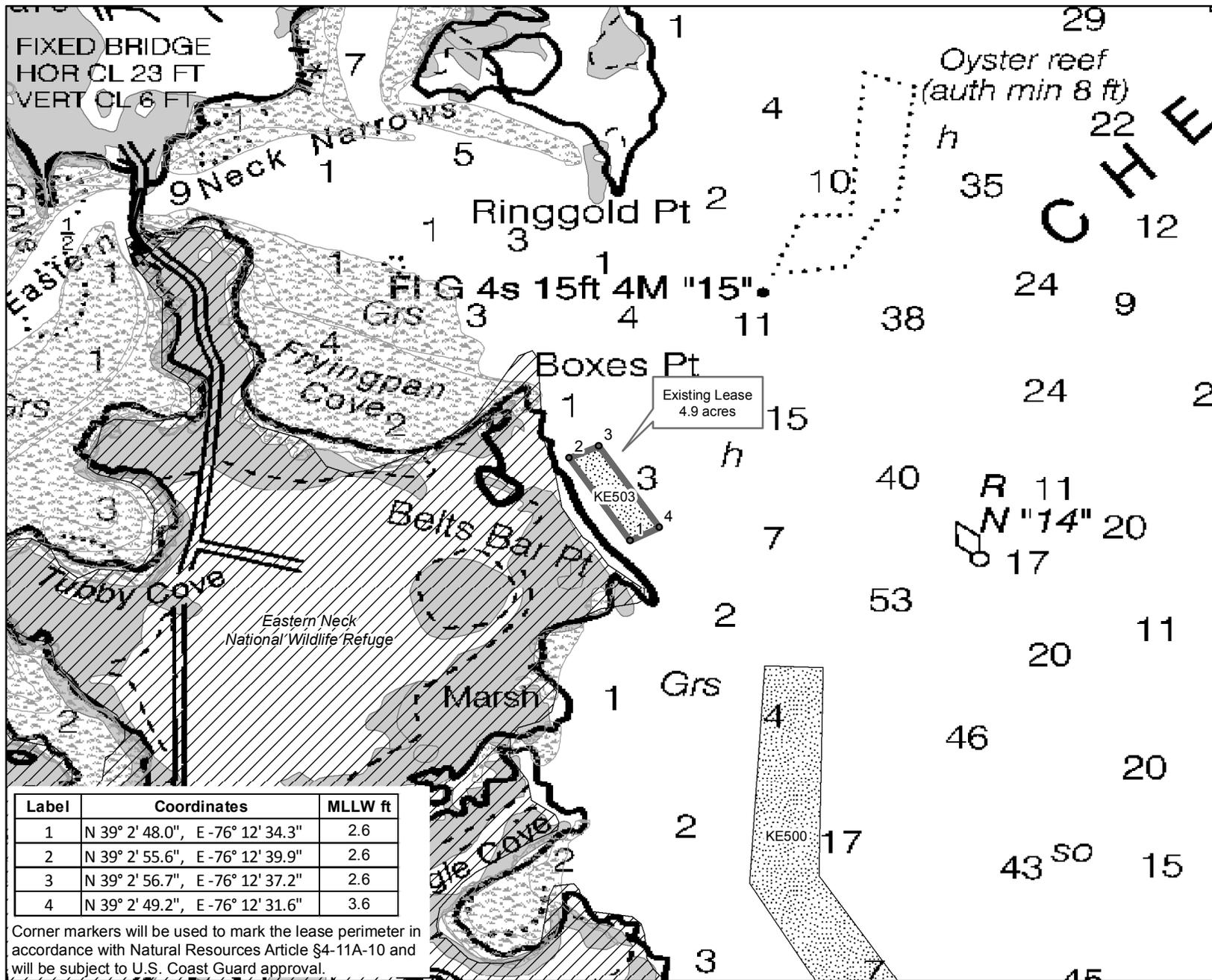
The Department will hold a public informational meeting upon written request from a member of the public. In addition, any person who has a specific right, duty, privilege, or interest that is different from that held by the general public and may be adversely affected by the proposed lease may file 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 public informational meetings, and/or Petitions of Protest must be received by the Department of Natural Resources Aquaculture and Industry Enhancement Division 580 Taylor Avenue E-4 Annapolis, MD 21401 by April 2, 2018.

For questions about the project or the public notice please contact Rebecca Thur at the DNR Aquaculture and Industry Enhancement Division at [rebecca.thur@maryland.gov](mailto:rebecca.thur@maryland.gov) or 410-260-8252.

**Mark J. Belton**  
**Secretary**  
**Maryland Department of Natural Resources**

# Shellfish Water Column Lease NAV Chart Map

Scott Budden & Richard Budden # 413 - Chester River, Kent County Maryland



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	MLLW ft
1	N 39° 2' 48.0", E -76° 12' 34.3"	2.6
2	N 39° 2' 55.6", E -76° 12' 39.9"	2.6
3	N 39° 2' 56.7", E -76° 12' 37.2"	2.6
4	N 39° 2' 49.2", E -76° 12' 31.6"	3.6

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.

