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 Francis W. Kilinski and Suzanne E. Kilinski in Neal Sound, Charles County, Maryland, located at the mouth on the western side of the jetty. The area applied for contains 7.9 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 16' 14.2" N., Long. 76° 52' 2.5" W., then running 300° 24' (True), approximately 448 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 16' 21.5" N., Long. 76° 52' 18.4" W., then running 46° 41' (True), approximately 88 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 16' 23.5" N., Long. 76° 52' 15.7" W., then running 123° 0' (True), approximately 391 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 16' 16.6" N., Long. 76° 52' 2.2" W., then running 184° 52' (True), approximately 75 meters to the point of beginning.

The applicants propose to place cages on bottom up to a maximum of eight inches high 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 September 4, 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 or 410-260-8252.

Mark J. Belton
Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
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.

Lease Area shown over NOAA Raster Navigational Charts.

- Proposed Lease
- 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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