

Public Notice
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease – PJH Oyster Leases, LLC and Philip J. Harrington, III

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 submerged land lease by PJH Oyster Leases, LLC and Philip J. Harrington, III in the Upper Choptank River oyster sanctuary, Dorchester County, Maryland, located approximately 1,500 feet northeast of Oystershell Point. The area applied for contains 22.3 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 35' 12.8" N., Long. 75° 59' 41.1" W., then running 329° 49' (True), approximately 461 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 35' 25.6" N., Long. 75° 59' 50.9" W., then running 88° 7' (True), approximately 233 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 35' 25.8" N., Long. 75° 59' 41.3" W., then running 141° 43' (True), approximately 346 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 35' 17.1" N., Long. 75° 59' 32.2" W., then running 238° 53' (True), approximately 252 meters to the point of beginning.

The applicants propose to deposit oyster shell as needed within the given area to a maximum depth of three inches 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.

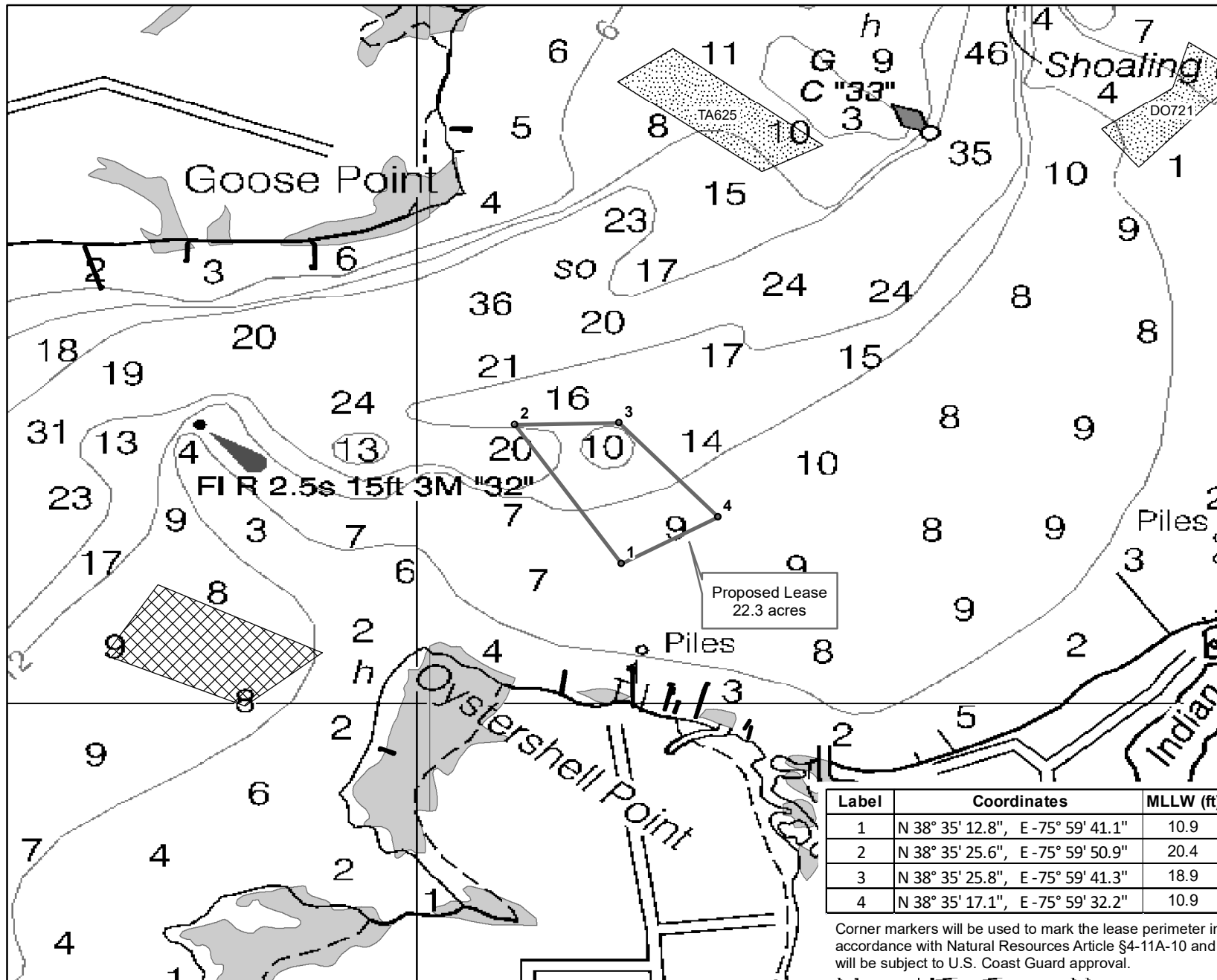
The Department will hold a public informational meeting upon written request from a member of the public. In addition, any person who has a specific right, duty, privilege, or interest that is different from that held by the general public and may be adversely affected by the proposed lease may file 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 December 24, 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

Proposed Shellfish Submerged Land Lease NAV Chart Map

PJH Oyster Leases, LLC & Philip J. Harrington, III #389 - Choptank River, Dorchester County Maryland



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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Label	Coordinates	MLLW (ft)
1	N 38° 35' 12.8", E -75° 59' 41.1"	10.9
2	N 38° 35' 25.6", E -75° 59' 50.9"	20.4
3	N 38° 35' 25.8", E -75° 59' 41.3"	18.9
4	N 38° 35' 17.1", E -75° 59' 32.2"	10.9

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.

