PUBLIC NOTICE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES APPLICATION FOR SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASES – PJH OYSTER LEASES, LLC & 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 applications for two shellfish aquaculture submerged land leases by PJH Oyster Leases, LLC and Philip J. Harrington, III both in the Manokin River oyster sanctuary, Somerset County, Maryland. The first proposed area, located in the cove approximately 500 feet southeast of Champ Point contains 39.6 acres, more or less, and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 24.9" N., Long. 75° 49' 15.3" W., then running 25° 15' (True), approximately 278 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 33.1" N., Long. 75° 49' 10.4" W., then running 90° 44' (True), approximately 585 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 33.2" N., Long. 75° 48' 46.4" W., then running 178° 31' (True), approximately 242 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 25.3" N., Long. 75° 48' 45.9" W., then running 269° 58' (True), approximately 714 meters to the point of beginning.

The second proposed area, located northwest of Champ Point and approximately 1,000 feet west of channel marker "2", contains 26.6 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 44.9" N., Long. 75° 49' 28.1" W., then running 280° 40' (True), approximately 1011 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 50.5" N., Long. 75° 50' 9.1" W., then running 11° 29' (True), approximately 161 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 55.6" N., Long. 75° 50' 7.7" W., then running 108° 17' (True), approximately 635 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 49.1" N., Long. 75° 49' 43.0" W., then running 93° 51' (True), approximately 425 meters to corner 5, at or near Lat. 38° 8' 48.4" N., Long. 75° 49' 25.5" W., then running 210° 21' (True), approximately 124 meters to the point of beginning.

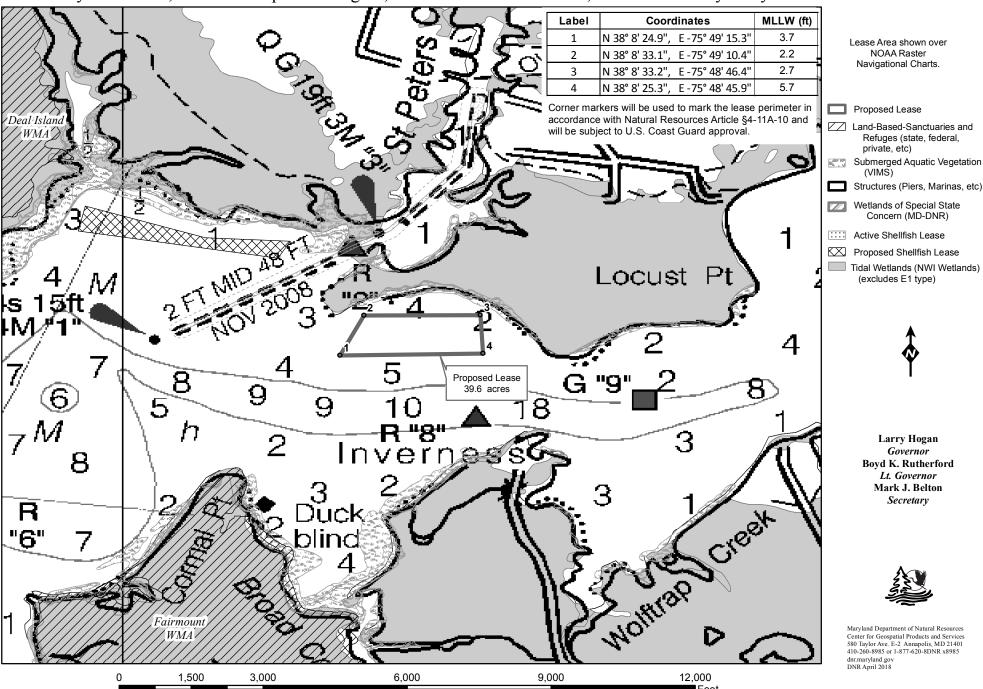
The applicants propose to deposit oyster shell as needed within each of the given areas to a maximum depth of three inches for the purpose of culturing Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), and to harvest using methods approved by the Department. A map of each of the proposed leases is attached.

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 one or both of the proposed leases 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 July 13, 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 #401 - Manokin River, Somerset County Maryland



Proposed Shellfish Submerged Land Lease NAV Chart Map PJH Oyster Leases, LLC & Philip J. Harrington, III #414 - Manokin River, Somerset County Maryland

