

PUBLIC NOTICE
MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES
APPLICATION FOR SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASE – ROSE-STONE OYSTERS, LLC

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 Rose-Stone Oysters, LLC in the Chesapeake Bay, St. Mary's County, Maryland, located approximately 250 feet north of channel marker R "2". The area applied for contains 10.9 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 3' 58.5" N., Long. 76° 19' 38.3" W., then running 342° 46' (True), approximately 244 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 4' 6.0" N., Long. 76° 19' 41.4" W., then running 78° 48' (True), approximately 172 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 4' 7.2" N., Long. 76° 19' 34.5" W., then running 158° 8' (True), approximately 247 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 3' 59.7" N., Long. 76° 19' 30.7" W., then running 258° 1' (True), approximately 188 meters to the point of beginning.

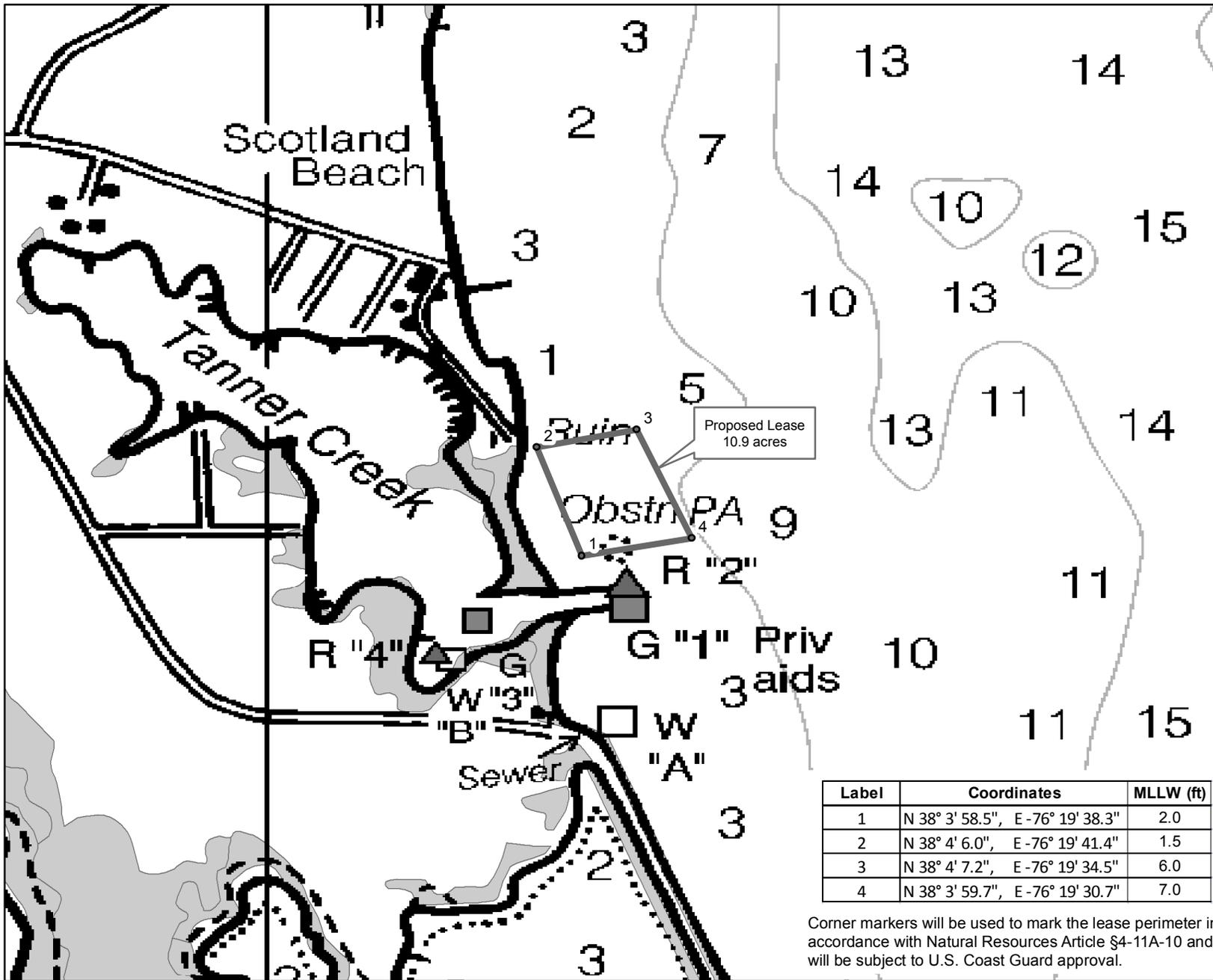
The applicant proposes to deploy a combination of floats and cages on bottom up to a maximum of 18 inches high for the purpose of culturing Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), and to harvest using methods approved by the Department. A map of the proposed lease is attached.

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 B-2 Annapolis, MD 21401 by October 23, 2017.

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 Water Column Lease NAV Chart Map
 Rose-Stone Oysters, LLC #328 - Chesapeake Bay, St. Mary's 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)



Larry Hogan
 Governor
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 Secretary



Label	Coordinates	MLLW (ft)
1	N 38° 3' 58.5", E -76° 19' 38.3"	2.0
2	N 38° 4' 6.0", E -76° 19' 41.4"	1.5
3	N 38° 4' 7.2", E -76° 19' 34.5"	6.0
4	N 38° 3' 59.7", E -76° 19' 30.7"	7.0

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.

