

PUBLIC NOTICE
MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES
APPLICATION FOR SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASE – SCOTT C. RUSSELL

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 C. Russell in Fox Harbor, St. Mary's County, Maryland, located along the southern shore approximately 1,000 feet from the mouth. The area has been proposed by the applicant to fall directly within the footprint of his existing submerged land lease, SM 519. The area applied for contains 2.6 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, a point at or near the mean low water line on shore at or near Lat. 38° 7' 13.3" N., Long. 76° 23' 24.0" W., then running west north westerly along the shore, excluding all creeks and coves less than 100 yards in width to corner 2, a point at or near the mean low water line on shore at or near Lat. 38° 7' 14.4" N., Long. 76° 23' 27.6" W., then running 309° 25' (True), approximately 68 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 7' 15.8" N., Long. 76° 23' 29.7" W., then running 92° 4' (True), approximately 234 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 7' 15.5" N., Long. 76° 23' 20.1" W., then running 186° 10' (True), approximately 25 meters to corner 5, a point at or near the mean low water line on shore at or near Lat. 38° 7' 14.7" N., Long. 76° 23' 20.2" W., then running west south westerly along the shore, excluding all creeks and coves less than 100 yards in width to corner 6, a point at or near the mean low water line on shore at or near Lat. 38° 7' 14.7" N., Long. 76° 23' 20.8" W., then running south westerly along the shore, excluding all creeks and coves less than 100 yards in width, to the point of beginning.

The applicant proposes to deploy a combination of floats and cages on bottom up to a maximum of 24 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.

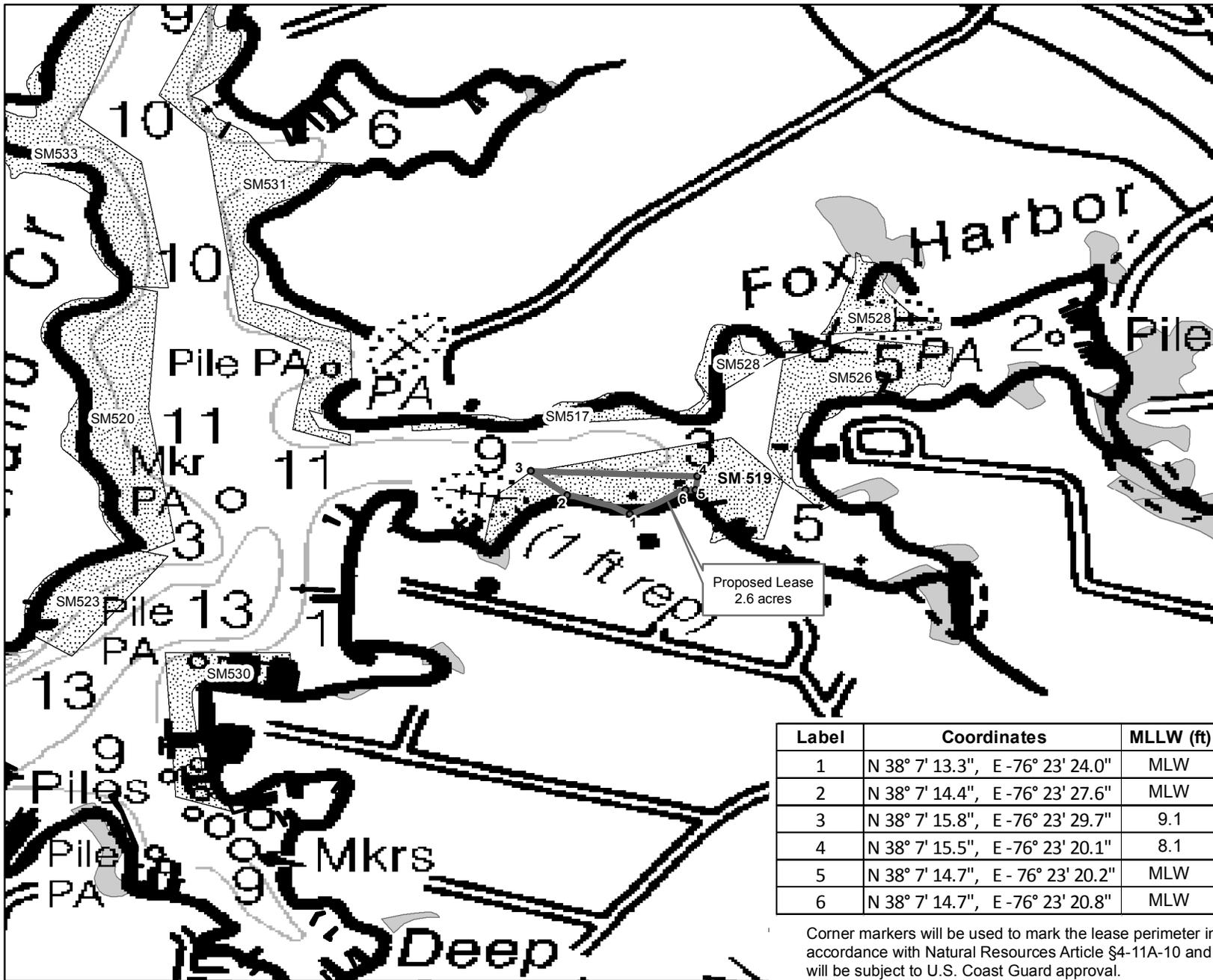
The Department will hold a public informational meeting upon written request from a member of the public. In addition, any person who has a specific right, duty, privilege, or interest that is different from that held by the general public and may be adversely affected by the proposed lease may file 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 January 29, 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 Water Column Lease NAV Chart Map

Scott C. Russell #257 - Fox Harbor, 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)



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Label	Coordinates	MLLW (ft)
1	N 38° 7' 13.3", E -76° 23' 24.0"	MLW
2	N 38° 7' 14.4", E -76° 23' 27.6"	MLW
3	N 38° 7' 15.8", E -76° 23' 29.7"	9.1
4	N 38° 7' 15.5", E -76° 23' 20.1"	8.1
5	N 38° 7' 14.7", E -76° 23' 20.2"	MLW
6	N 38° 7' 14.7", E -76° 23' 20.8"	MLW

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.

