## PUBLIC NOTICE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FISHING AND BOATING SERVICES APPLICATION FOR SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE LEASE – SHELL, 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 Shell, LLC in Tedious Creek, Dorchester County, Maryland, located approximately 1,200 feet south southwest of channel marker "2" and adjacent to property owned by the applicant. The area applied for contains 2.8 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 34.1" N., Long. 76° 2' 54.0" W., then running 300° 59' (True), approximately 64 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 35.2" N., Long. 76° 2' 56.3" W., then running 31° 37' (True), approximately 146 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 39.3" N., Long. 76° 2' 53.2" W., then running 120° 20' (True), approximately 90 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 37.8" N., Long. 76° 2' 50.0" W., then running 215° 42' (True), approximately 69 meters to corner 5, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 35.9" N., Long. 76° 2' 51.6" W., then running 294° 41' (True), approximately 14 meters to corner 6, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 36.1" N., Long. 76° 2' 52.2" W., then running 215° 9' (True), approximately 76 meters to the point of beginning.

The applicant proposes to deploy a combination of floating baskets and floating upweller systems 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 August 20, 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
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## Proposed Shellfish Water Column Lease NAV Chart Map Shell, LLC #382 - Tedious Creek, Dorchester County Maryland

