

**Public Notice**  
**Maryland Department of Natural Resources**  
**Fishing and Boating Services**  
**Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease – Gordon J. Nock & Caleb J. Nock #543,**  
**Somerset County**

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 Gordon J. Nock and Caleb J. Nock in the Wicomico River, Somerset County, Maryland, located approximately 360 feet north of Semi Point and 620 feet southeast of green channel marker "15". The area applied for contains 28.0 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 11.6" N., Long. 75° 51' 25.8" W., then running 326° 23' (True), approximately 214 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 17.4" N., Long. 75° 51' 30.7" W., then running 60° 1' (True), approximately 540 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 26.2" N., Long. 75° 51' 11.4" W., then running 152° 11' (True), approximately 213 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 14' 20.1" N., Long. 75° 51' 7.3" W., then running 240° 56' (True), approximately 518 meters to the point of beginning.

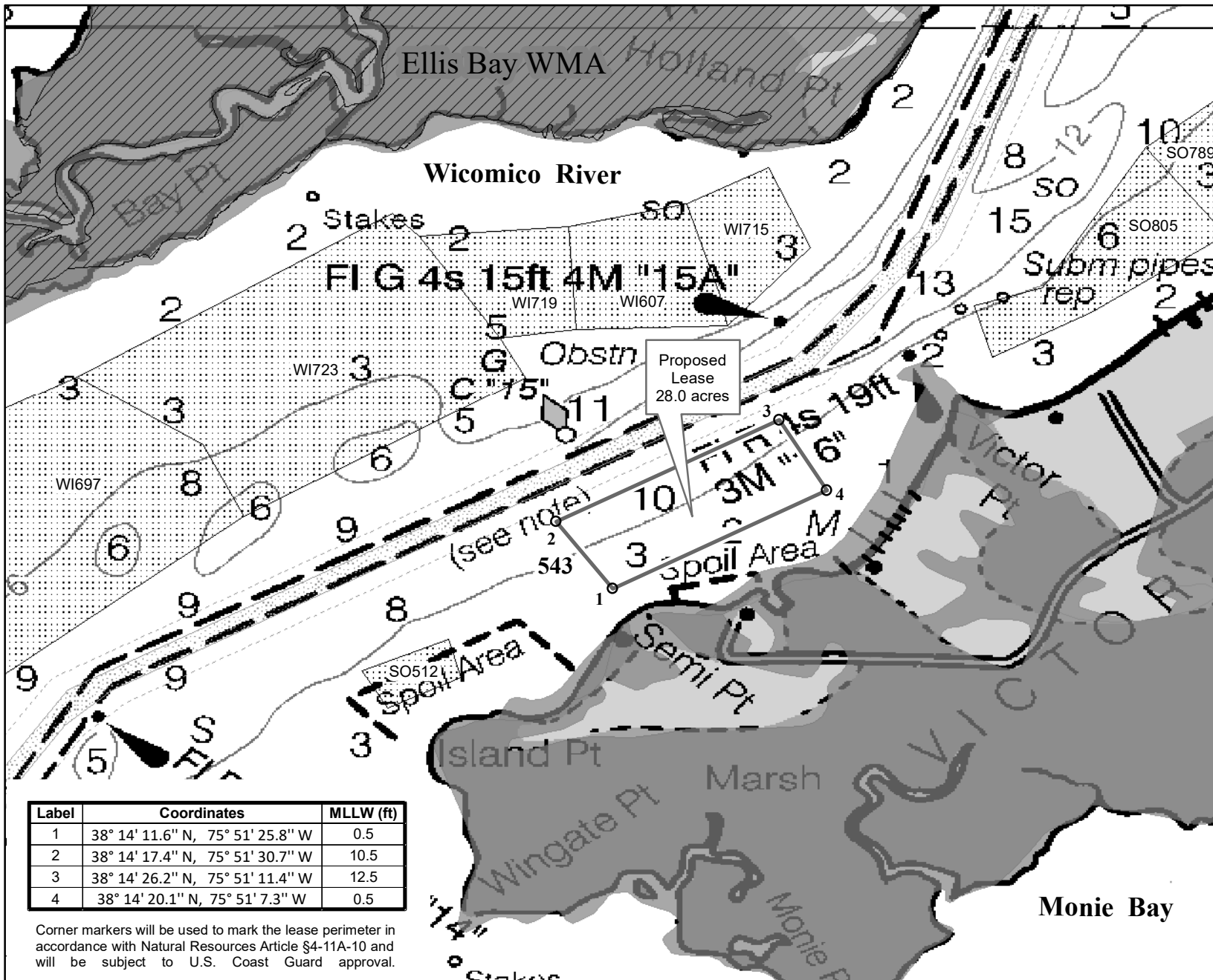
The applicants propose to deposit oyster shell and spat-on-shell as needed within the given area to a maximum depth of six inches for the purpose of culturing Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*), and to harvest using methods approved by the Department. A map of the proposed lease is available on the Fishing and Boating Services Public Notice web page, [dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/Pub\\_Notices.aspx](http://dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/Pub_Notices.aspx).

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 a public informational meeting, 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 May 3, 2024. For questions about the project or the public notice, please contact the DNR Aquaculture and Industry Enhancement Division at [aquaculturepubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov](mailto:aquaculturepubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov) or 410-260-8252.

**Josh Kurtz, Secretary**  
**Maryland Department of Natural Resources**

# Proposed Shellfish Submerged Land Lease NAV Chart Map

Gordon J. Nock & Caleb J. Nock #543 - Wicomico River, Somerset 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	38° 14' 11.6" N, 75° 51' 25.8" W	0.5
2	38° 14' 17.4" N, 75° 51' 30.7" W	10.5
3	38° 14' 26.2" N, 75° 51' 11.4" W	12.5
4	38° 14' 20.1" N, 75° 51' 7.3" W	0.5

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.

