

Public Notice
Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Application for Shellfish Aquaculture Lease – Maryland Seafood Cooperative, Inc.

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 Maryland Seafood Cooperative, Inc. in the Manokin River oyster sanctuary, Somerset County, Maryland, located north of Drum Point. The area applied for contains 19.2 acres more or less and is enclosed by a line beginning at corner 1, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 23.7" N., Long. 75° 51' 49.6" W., then running 328° 45' (True), approximately 153 meters to corner 2, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 28.0" N., Long. 75° 51' 53.0" W., then running 44° 35' (True), approximately 477 meters to corner 3, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 39.2" N., Long. 75° 51' 39.5" W., then running 178° 45' (True), approximately 316 meters to corner 4, at or near Lat. 38° 6' 28.9" N., Long. 75° 51' 39.0" W., then running 238° 20' (True), approximately 304 meters to the point of beginning.

The applicant proposes to deposit oyster shell and spat-on-shell as needed within the given area 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 the proposed lease is available on the Fishing and Boating Services Public Notice web page, https://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 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 April 10, 2020. 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.

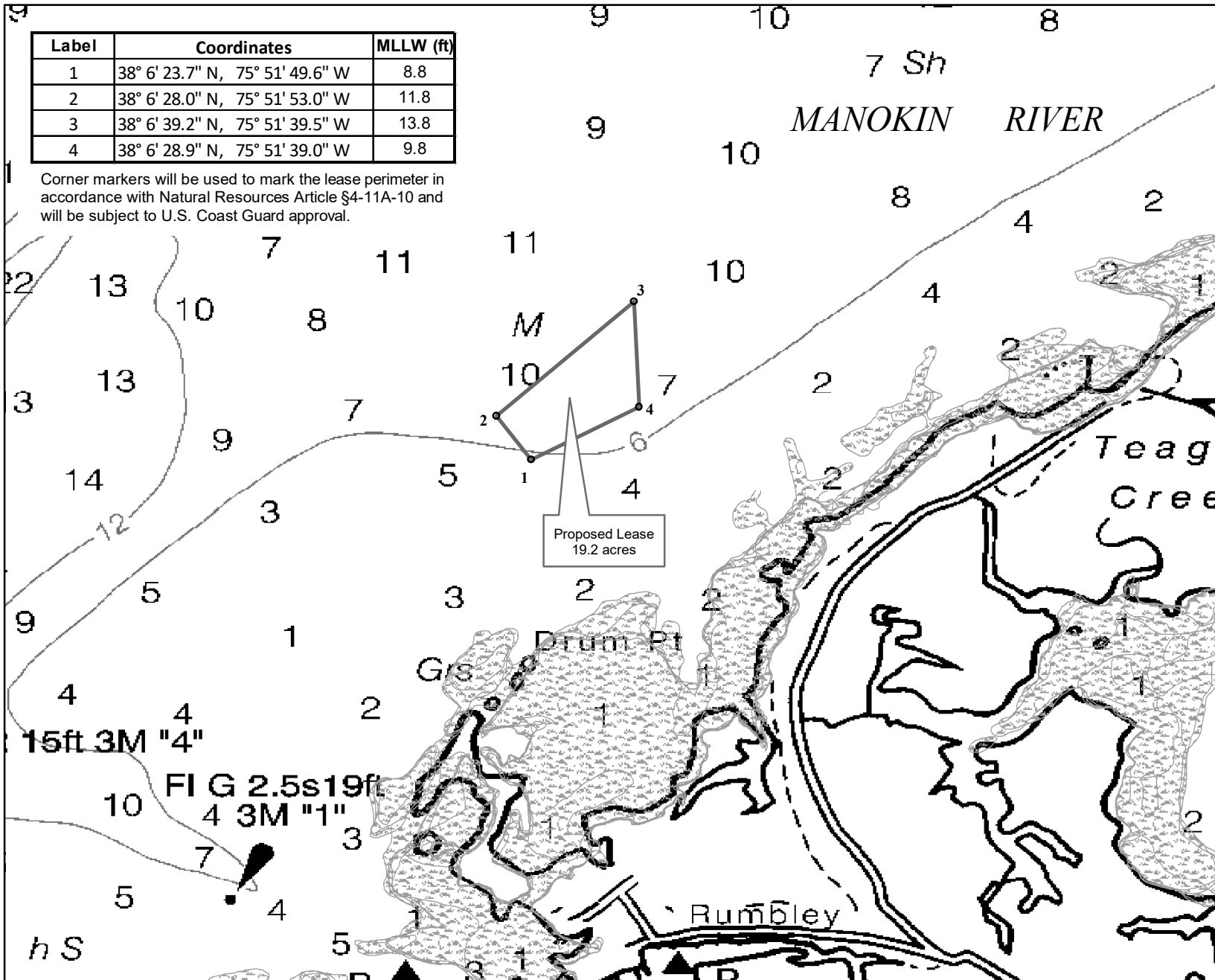
Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio, Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Proposed Shellfish Submerged Land Lease NAV Chart Map

Maryland Seafood Cooperative, Inc. #485 - Manokin River, Somerset County Maryland

Label	Coordinates	MLLW (ft)
1	38° 6' 23.7" N, 75° 51' 49.6" W	8.8
2	38° 6' 28.0" N, 75° 51' 53.0" W	11.8
3	38° 6' 39.2" N, 75° 51' 39.5" W	13.8
4	38° 6' 28.9" N, 75° 51' 39.0" W	9.8

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.



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 (NW1 Wetlands) (excludes E1 type)



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