

**PUBLIC NOTICE:
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE**

Please take notice that

Nordic Aquafarms, Inc

159 High St, Belfast, ME 04915 (207)323-4911

(Name, Address and Phone # of Applicant)

is intending to file a Natural Resources Protection Act permit application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S. §§ 480-A thru 480-BB on or about

May 25, 2019

(anticipated filing date)

The application is for

For a land-based aquaculture project

(description of the project)

at the following location:

Belfast, Maine

(project location)

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Department to be complete and is accepted for processing. A public hearing may or may not be held at the discretion of the Commissioner or Board of Environmental Protection. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

For Federally licensed, permitted, or funded activities in the Coastal Zone, review of this application shall also constitute the State's consistency review in accordance with the Maine Coastal Program pursuant to Section 307 of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1456. (Delete if not applicable.)

The application will be filed for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Protection's office in *(Portland, Augusta or Bangor)*(circle one) during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in _____ Belfast and Northport _____, Maine.
(town)

Written public comments may be sent to the regional office in Portland, Augusta, or Bangor where the application is filed for public inspection:

- MDEP, Central Maine Regional Office, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333
- MDEP, Southern Maine Regional Office, 312 Canco Road, Portland, Maine 04103
- MDEP, Eastern Maine Regional Office, 106 Hogan Road, Bangor, Maine 04401

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PUBLIC NOTICE FILING AND CERTIFICATION

Department Rules, Chapter 2, require an applicant to provide public notice for all Tier 2, Tier 3 and individual Natural Resources Protect Act projects. In the notice, the applicant must describe the proposed activity and where it is located. “**Abutter**” for the purposes of the notice provision means any person who owns property that is BOTH (1) adjoining and (2) within one mile of the delineated project boundary, including owners of property directly across a public or private right of way.

1. **Newspaper:** You must publish the Notice of Intent to File in a newspaper circulated in the area where the activity is located. The notice must appear in the newspaper within 30 days prior to the filing of the application with the Department. You may use the attached Notice of Intent to File form, or one containing identical information, for newspaper publication and certified mailing.
2. **Abutting Property Owners:** You must send a copy of the Notice of Intent to File by certified mail to the owners of the property abutting the activity. Their names and addresses can be obtained from the town tax maps or local officials. They must receive notice within 30 days prior to the filing of the application with the Department.
3. **Municipal Office:** You must send a copy of the Notice of Intent to File and a **duplicate of the entire application** to the Municipal Office.

ATTACH a list of the names and addresses of the owners of abutting property.

CERTIFICATION

By signing below, the applicant or authorized agent certifies that:

5. A Notice of Intent to File was published in a newspaper circulated in the area where the project site is located within 30 days prior to filing the application;
6. A certified mailing of the Notice of Intent to File was sent to all abutters within 30 days of the filing of the application;
7. A certified mailing of the Notice of Intent to File, and a duplicate copy of the application was sent to the town office of the municipality in which the project is located; and
8. Provided notice of and held a public informational meeting, if required, in accordance with Chapter 2, Rules Concerning the Processing of Applications, Section 13, prior to filing the application. Notice of the meeting was sent by certified mail to abutters and to the town office of the municipality in which the project is located at least ten days prior to the meeting. Notice of the meeting was also published once in a newspaper circulated in the area where the project site is located at least seven days prior to the meeting.

The Public Informational Meeting was held on March 26, 2019.
Date

Approximately 300 members of the public attended the Public Informational Meeting.

Signature of Applicant or authorized agent

Date