

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

**Date:** June 11, 2024

**To:** Town of Lubec Municipal Officials, and Ralph Dennison, Harbormaster

Lease applicant

Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the proposal

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**From:** Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

**Re:** Notice of Completed Aquaculture Application and Comment Period

The DMR has received a completed lease application for the following:

Name of Applicant and Type	Cooke Aquaculture USA, Inc.	□Experimental ⊠Renewal (COB RN2)
Culture Type	☐ Bottom culture ☐ Suspended culture ☐ (Bottom and/or surface gear)	
Species	☐ Shellfish ☐ Marine algae	⊠ Finfish □Other
Waterbody, Town	Cobscook Bay, Lubec	
Lease Size and Term	32.14	20 Years
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 p.m. on July 14, 2024	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

**COMMENT PERIOD:** The DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional unless DMR receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments or hearing requests by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

**RIPARIAN LANDOWNERS:** You are receiving this notice because you are a shorefront owner whose property boundaries are within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site. The law requires that this notice and any subsequent notices be mailed to you at the address on the riparian list contained in the application. Please note that the address on that list is based on municipal tax records in accordance with law. If you would also like to receive updates via email or text, please sign up at the link below. You can sign up to receive electronic updates by coastal county. To sign up for electronic updates: <a href="https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MEDMR/subscriber/new">https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MEDMR/subscriber/new</a>

For more information about the aquaculture leasing process, please visit: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/public-participation-in-aquaculture-leasing">https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture-leasing</a>.

**VIEW THE APPLICATION:** To view a copy of the completed application, please visit DMR's Aquaculture webpage. Applications are available under 'Maine Aquaculture Leases and LPAs.'

**CONTACT THE APPLICANT:** Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposal. Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

**Relevant Authority:** 12 MRSA §§6072 (12), 6072-A (5) and DMR Rules Chapters 2.45 and 2.64.