

Public Notice – Adjudicative Application Under Review

The following two (2) *Applications* have been received within the *Option to Lease* (“Scoping”) period, during which the proponent collected information to support their applications:

Proponent: Paq’tnekek Mi’kmaw Nation	Species: American oyster
Applications Received On: July 22, 2022	Method of Cultivation: Suspended Cultivation
Application File Number: AQ#1459	Location: Pomquet Harbour, Antigonish County (Option Area AQ#4029)
Application File Number: AQ#1460	Location: Havre Boucher, Antigonish County (Option Area AQ#4028)

The applications are under review by the Department and other relevant provincial and federal departments and agencies. A copy of the applications and supporting documentation will be posted to the Department’s website after initial screening. As part of the review, maps of the proposed locations will be developed and posted on the Department’s interactive Aquaculture Site Mapping Tool, located at <https://novascotia.ca/fish/aquaculture/site-mapping-tool/>. Following the review phase, complete applications will be referred to the Nova Scotia Aquaculture Review Board (NSARB). The NSARB provides an opportunity for members of the public to participate in the public hearing process. Notification of the date of the public hearing will be made through the Department’s website. The NSARB will issue a decision on the applications and the decision will be posted on the Department’s website.

To learn more about the marine aquaculture lease and license application process, please visit <https://novascotia.ca/fish/aquaculture/licensing-leasing/Aqua-Licensing-and-Leasing-Overview.pdf>

For information on the Nova Scotia Aquaculture Review Board, please visit <https://arb.novascotia.ca/>