

Findings and Decision- New Application of Hippolyto Tshimanga for AQ#1419

1. Overview:

On October 22, 2018, the Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture (NSDFA) received an application from Hippolyto Tshimanga for a new Aquaculture Licence #1419 (AQ#1419), as described below:

Table 1. Description of Aquaculture Licence and Lease #1419

Type: Landbased	Location: Steam Hill, Kings County
Number: AQ#1419	Species: Nile tilapia, Rainbow trout, Striped bass, Goldfish
Applicant: Hippolyto Tshimanga	Proposed Term: 10 year Licence

2. History

AQ#1419 is a new licence. The operator, Hippolyto Tshimanga has never held an aquaculture licence with NSDFA.

3. Procedure

3.1 Internal Review

An internal review of the information submitted by the operator in support of their licence application was completed. This review recommended that the licence be issued based on the technical and biological assessment.

3.2 Public Comment Period

Notice of the application for the renewal of AQ#1419 for the 30-day public comment period was published on NSDFA's website (<http://novascotia.ca/fish/aquaculture/public-information/>) for the period of October 17, 2019 to November 15, 2019. Notice of the application was also published in the Royal Gazette Part I on October 23, 2019, October 30, 2019, November 6, 2019 and November 14, 2019.

3.3 Submissions

Zero submissions were received by NSDFA during the 30-day public comment period.

4. Factors to be considered

The nature in which Hippolyto Tshimanga intends to develop and operate this landbased site is consistent with the Act, Regulations, licence requirements, guidelines and policies of the Department.

The applicant's proposal was determined to be technically viable. The technical information provided suggests that required infrastructure will be put in place for the proposed method and

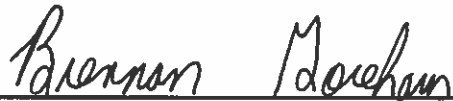
scale of operation. All aspects of the application information submitted, and the subsequent review of this information support the issuance of this licence.

Hippolyto Tshimanga will be required to prepare a Farm Management Plan (FMP) and will require approval prior to stocking the site. The operation will also require and Introductions and Transfers permit from Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada prior to moving fish to the site.

5. Decision

Based on the considerations above, Aquaculture Licence #1419 shall be issued to Hippolyto Tshimanga for a period of ten years (January 11, 2020 to January 11, 2030).

The Licence documents shall be prepared in accordance with the standard operating documents of NSDFA, and shall be made publically available subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.



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