PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number: 2020-04-037 Date: April 17, 2020

This office has under consideration the application of:

John Bowen & Patrick Bowen
79 Shaw Road
Little Compton, RI 02831

for a State of Rhode Island Assent to create and maintain: a one acre oyster farm using bottom cages

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Plans of the proposed work may be seen at the CRMC office in Wakefield.

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws) you may request a hearing on this matter.

You are advised that if you have good reason to enter protests against the proposed work it is your privilege to do so. It is expected that objectors will review the application and plans thoroughly, visit site of proposed work if necessary, to familiarize themselves with the conditions and cite what law or laws, if any, would in their opinion be violated by the work proposed.

If you desire to protest, you must attend the scheduled hearing and give sworn testimony. A notice of the time and place of such hearing will be furnished you as soon as possible after receipt of your request for hearing. If you desire to request a hearing, to receive consideration, it should be in writing (with your correct mailing address, e-mail address and valid contact number) and be received at this office on or before May 17, 2020.
**APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSENT**

To perform work regulated by the provisions of Chapter 279 of the Public Laws of 1971 Amended.

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| Contractor RI Reg. #    | Address                   |
|                        |                           |

| Designer                | N/A                       |
|                        | Address                   |

| Name of Waterway        | Sakonnet River            |

Describe accurately the work proposed. (Use additional sheets of paper if necessary and attach this form.)

Oyster aquaculture farm in Sakonnet River, Latitude/Longitude coordinates:

Northeast Corner: 41.580836; -71.209611
Northwest Corner: 41.580975; -71.210326
Southwest Corner: 41.580122; -71.209876
Southeast Corner: 41.580026; -71.209485

Have you or any previous owner filed an application for and/or received an assent for any activity on this property? (If so please provide the file and/or assent numbers): NO

Is this site within a designated historic district? □ YES □ NO

Is this application being submitted in response to a coastal violation? □ YES □ NO

If YES, you must indicate NOV or C&D Number:

Name/mailing addresses of adjacent property owners whose property adjoins the project site. Accurate mailing addresses will insure proper notification. Applicant must initial to certify accuracy of adjacent property owners and accuracy of mailing addresses.

This application is for submerged state property.

STORMTOOLS ([http://www.beachsamp.org/resources/stormtools/](http://www.beachsamp.org/resources/stormtools/)) is a planning tool to help applicants evaluate the impacts of sea level rise and storm surge on their projects. The Council encourages applicants to use STORMTOOLS to help them understand the risk that may be present at their site and make appropriate adjustments to the project design.

NOTE: The applicant acknowledges by evidence of their signature that they have reviewed the Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Program, and have, where possible, adhered to the policies and standards of the program. Where variances or special exceptions are requested by the applicant, the applicant will be prepared to meet and present testimony on the criteria and burdens of proof for each of these relief provisions. The applicant also acknowledges by evidence of their signature that to the best of their knowledge the information contained in the application is true and valid. If the information provided to the CRMC for this review is inaccurate or did not reveal all necessary information or data, then the permit granted under this application may be found to be null and void. Applicant requires that as a condition to the granting of this assent, members of the CRMC or its staff shall have access to the applicant's property to make on-site inspections to insure compliance with the assent. This application is made under oath and subject to the penalties of perjury.

Owner's Signature (sign and print)

PLEASE REVIEW REVERSE SIDE OF APPLICATION FORM

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STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE AND APPLICANT AGREEMENT AS TO FEES

The fees which must be submitted to the Coastal Resources Management Council are based upon representations made to the Coastal Resources Management Council by the applicant. If after submission of this fee the Coastal Resources Management Council determines that an error has been made either in the applicant’s submission or in determining the fee to be paid, the applicant understands that additional fees may be assessed by the Coastal Resources Management Council. These fees must be paid prior to the issuance of any assent by the Coastal Resources Management Council.

The applicant understands the above conditions and agrees to comply with them.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Mailing Address

79 Shain Road, Little Compton, RI 02837
CRMC AQUACULTURE APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSENT

Applicant Name and Mailing Address:

Applicant Name(s): John Bowen, Patrick Bowen  
Street: 79 Shaw Road  
City/Town: Little Compton  
State: RI  
Zip Code: 02837  
E-Mail: Seanbow@yahoo.com

CRMC File Number: 29-12-023

DEM License Number: Application Pending

Type of Facility: Commercial lease site

Location of Proposed Aquaculture Site (Waterway): Sakonnet River, Southwest of Seapowet Creek

Size of Proposed Aquaculture Site: 0.97 acres

Latitude /Longitude of Proposed Aquaculture Site:

Northeast Corner: 41.580836, -71.209611  
Northwest Corner: 41.580975, -71.210326  
Southwest Corner: 41.580122, -71.209876  
Southeast Corner: 41.580026, -71.209485

Signature of Requestor: [Signature]  
Date: 4/3/20
1. Introduction.

John Bowen and Patrick Bowen are seeking State Assent from Coastal Resources Management Council for a shellfish aquaculture farm in Tiverton, RI. The site is located in the Sakonnet River, Southwest of Seapowet Creek. The site was chosen for a variety of reasons, including proximity to the nutrient rich Seapowet Creek tidal flow, depth, and lack of wild shellfish resource within the site.

Farming practices will focus on environmental sustainability, and utilize a low-profile approach. The growout gear utilized will not be visible from shore, even at low tide. Culture methods will suit the site and accommodate multiple stages of growth, consisting of top loading cages, with mesh bags affixed to the cages.

John Bowen and his brother Patrick Bowen will be primarily responsible for daily management of the farm, with their sons Samuel and Malcolm actively assisting in farm operation. John and Patrick have both completed the course, “Fundamentals of Shellfish Farming: Practical Tools, Tips, and Techniques”, presented by Roger Williams University and Cape Cod Cooperative Extension, and both have experience working on an oyster farm, dating back to the early 1980s. Additionally, John has a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science, with Emphasis in Aquaculture from Unity College in Maine. It is their intention to be model stewards of the area, and they understand the responsibility and privilege of a shellfish aquaculture lease.

Changes to application as a result of recommendations from the Preliminary Determination Hearing, held February 17, 2020:

1. Tiverton Harbor and Coastal Waters Management Commission, DEM, and an objector had concerns regarding the shallow depth of the proposed site.
   In response to this, the location of the site was moved into deeper water (average MLW depth of two to four feet).

2. Tiverton Harbor and Coastal Waters Management Commission and DEM had concern regarding the location of the site in relation to the DEM Recreational Shellfish Area.
   In response to this, the site was moved to the west, and outside the bounds of the DEM Recreational Shellfish Area.

3. Concern was raised by DEM and CRMC regarding transporting oyster cages across and through the Seapowet Management Area public parking area.
   In response to this, the applicants will not transport oyster cages across the Sapowet Management Area public parking area. Installation (placement) and removal of the cages will be conducted by boat and/or private access to the shore.

As stated in the CRMC Preliminary Determination Report of Findings,

   “The Commission, DEM, and the objector all stated that they would not have an issue with this farm if it was moved to deeper water adjacent to this site.”

John and Patrick Bowen (applicants) believe that the above changes to their initial application address the concerns resulting from the Preliminary Determination Hearing, and as expressed in the CRMC Preliminary Determination Report of Findings.
OPERATIONAL PLAN:

1. **Name and Address:**
   John Bowen, Patrick Bowen
   79 Shaw Road
   Little Compton, RI 02837

2. **CRMC File Number:** 2019-12-023

3. **DEM Aquaculture License Number:** To be determined

4. **Type of Facility:** Commercial Aquaculture Lease Site

5. **Location of Facility:** Tiverton, RI, Sakonnet River, Southwest of Seapowet Creek. The dimensions of the site are: West Side: 330’, North Side: 200’, East Side: 300’, South Side: 110’. The site extends in a Southwest direction in a trapezoid shape. The proposed site is 42,212 square feet, or .97 acres.

**Setbacks:**
320’ from Northeasterly corner to Mean Low Water (MLW) (nearest point of the site)
325’ from the Southeast Corner to Mean Low Water (MLW)
410’ from a point on the SW corner of the Seapowet Bridge to the NE corner of the site
500’ from a point on the SW corner of the Seapowet Bridge to the NW corner of the site.

Longitude/Latitude of Proposed Aquaculture Site:
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6. **Species Grown:** *Crassostrea virginica*. Eastern Oyster shellfish seed is to be purchased from a New England shellfish hatchery approved by DEM (Aquacultural Research Corporation, Dennis, MA; Fishers Island Hatchery, New York; Mook Sea Farms, Damariscotta, ME, or other approved...
shellfish hatchery), in accordance with regulation. Only diploid seed will be deployed in the first year (and likely thereafter). It is the hope of the applicants that any oyster spawning which results from the farm will supplement the natural oyster recruitment in the area. Applicants are very much aware of the importance of agricultural biosecurity as applied to shellfish aquaculture, and will be fully compliant with Biosecurity Board protocols.

7. **Gear Description:** Predominant culture method will be top loaded wire cages, dimensions of 24” wide, 48” long, and 14” tall, with 2” runners to keep them elevated from the bottom (total cage height is 16” tall). The cages will be placed directly on the bottom. Cages are accessed through the top, will contain stacked trays (plastic or wire), and will be covered with a rigid wire cover, affixed with shock cord.

The cages will be deployed in a series of ten (each ten cages referred to as a “trawl”), oriented such that the 48” sides of the cages are approximately 6” apart, each trawl spanning approximately thirty feet. The trawls will be secured with 5/8”x36” helical anchors installed at each end, with a line (half inch diameter, three strand, twisted nylon rope, minimum breaking load (MBL) of 5,670 lbs) attached to the helical-anchors on each side, creating a lateral line around the trawl. Each cage will be secured to the lateral line on both ends.

Additionally, standard 18”x36” ADPI bags (rigid mesh plastic bags) will be secured directly to the cages using heavy-duty clips.

The first year 25,000 oyster seed will be purchased, and grown utilizing the culture methods described above. We anticipate harvest time to be approximately 18-24 months.

8. **Identifying Markers**

Each of the four corners of the farm will be marked with standard 11” pot buoys, each of which will be marked in 3” letters “CRMC”, and the File Number provided at the time of Assent. This will be done within ten days of CRMC Assent.

9. **DEM Shellfish Harvesting Classification:**


10. **Description of Practices and Procedures:**

As described above, *Crassostrea virginica*, Eastern Oyster shellfish seed is to be purchased from a regional shellfish hatchery approved by DEM (Aquacultural Research Corporation, Dennis, MA; Fishers Island Hatchery, New York, Mook Sea Farms, Damariscotta, ME, or other hatchery approved by DEM and CRMC), in accordance with regulation. We plan to use only diploid seed in the first year (and likely thereafter). The first year (and likely thereafter) larger seed size will be purchased, anticipating 5-7 mm size). The CRMC Aquaculture Coordinator will be notified of seed source and provided with a pathology report as required, at least five days prior to delivery of the seed.
11. Harvest, Storage, and Transportation:
It is anticipated that harvest time will be 18-24 months. Initially, oysters are expected to be sold to licensed Rhode Island Wholesale Dealers, rather than direct marketed, however the goal of the applicants is to attain proper licensure to sell shellfish locally. Harvesting and transporting oysters will be conducted with a focus on public health requirements, including icing, tagging, sanitation, and record keeping as required.

12. Time Table of Work
Farm work will take place predominantly at low tide (an hour before to an hour after), accessing the site using waders (or shorts during the summer months), and will consist of replacing bio-fouled plastic and wire trays inside the cages with clean trays, to reduce fouling and allow for better water flow over the oysters; splitting volumes of oysters into additional gear to maintain low densities; and culling/sorting oysters by size and quality. As oysters reach harvest size, they will be pre sorted for quantity, and pre bagged to reduce harvest time and allow for more rapid cooling during the summer months.

13. Record Keeping:
Records of all seed purchases (including origin, quantity, pathology reports, etc.), harvesting records, and operating records will be submitted to CRMC as required, and maintained by John Bowen, available for review as needed upon request. Annual reporting to CRMC with all required information will be conducted as required.

14. Procedures for maintaining records regarding upwellers in prohibited waters:
An upweller will not be used.

15. Procedure for maintaining records for operations using seed from prohibited waters:
Seed will not be obtained from prohibited waters.
Coastal Resources Management Program – Section 1.3.1(A) – Category B Requirements

1. **Demonstrate the need for the proposed activity or alteration:**
   John Bowen and Patrick Bowen are proposing an oyster farm in Tiverton, RI. The site is located in the Sakonnet River, Southwest of Seapowet Creek. This site was chosen based upon proximity to the nutrient rich Seapowet Creek tidal flow, water depth, and lack of wild shellfish resource within the site. Shellfish aquaculture, especially oyster culture, is increasing in Rhode Island, however, the East Bay is largely under-represented. This proposal utilizes a low profile approach to this nutrient extractive agricultural process in an environmentally sensitive area, and helps to maintain local, historical marine tradition.

2. **Demonstrate that all applicable local zoning ordinances, building codes, flood hazard standards, and all safety codes, fire codes, and environmental requirements have or will be met:**
   Permits required for the proposed lease will be obtained through RI CRMC pending approval of subsequent applications.

3. **Describe the boundaries of the coastal waters and the land area that is anticipated to be affected:** The proposed lease site is located in Tiverton, in the Sakonnet River, Southwest of Seapowet Creek. Latitude/Longitude of Proposed Aquaculture Site:
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4. **Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts on erosion and/or deposition processes along the shore and in tidal waters:**
   All gear on the site will be temporary (not permanent), and designed to allow water to flow through, having minimal impact on erosion or deposition.
5. **Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts on the abundance and diversity of plant and animal life:**
Culture methods proposed are intended to be low-impact. The site should have no negative impact on the abundance or diversity of plant and animal life. To the contrary, aquaculture gear provides habitat structure and supports a diverse assemblage of juvenile fish, crabs, lobsters. Oyster grow-out cages provide valuable habitat for finfish and have been compared with artificial reefs as part of habitat restoration programs.*

*Tallman, Forrester; Transactions of the American Fisheries Society, May, 2007

6. **Demonstrate that the alteration will not unreasonably interfere with, impair, or significantly impact existing public access to, or use of, tidal waters and/or the shore:**

**As a result of the Preliminary Determination Hearing and subsequent CRMC Report of findings, the coordinates of the proposed site have been moved into deeper water, and outside of DEM's Recreational Shellfish Area.**
The site is located in the Sakonnet River, on the southwest side of Seapowet Creek. The water depth and coarse sand/gravelly bottom are not conducive to boating*, swimming**, or fishing, and there is no significant wild shellfish resource on the site. The area SW of Seapowet Point is extremely shallow and cannot be safely navigated during low tides*. The area west of Seapowet and Fogland Points presents dangerous swimming conditions.** Fishermen, shellfishermen and bathers typically use the area to the north of the Seapowet Creek. The lease site would still be possible for people to walk or wade through, or kayak through.

*TIVERTON HARBOR AND COASTAL WATERS MANAGEMENT PLAN: II(A)(3)(e)
** CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF TIVERTON, Chapter 14, Article II, Section 14-193

7. **Demonstrate that the alterations will not result in significant impacts to water circulation, flushing, turbidity, and sedimentation:**
The proposed gear is designed to be low-impact, not extending greater than 18" from the bottom. All gear is intended to allow water to flow freely, as it increases oyster growth. Oyster filtration has been found to reduce turbidity and increase water clarity. Turbidity or sedimentation caused by work on the farm should be minimal and temporary.
8. Demonstrate that there will be no significant deterioration in the quality of water in the immediate vicinity as defined by DEM:
   The proposed oyster farm will have no negative effect on water quality as defined by DEM (based on fecal coliform levels). Additionally, as estuarine nutrient loading is increasingly an ongoing global issue of concern, oysters are able to integrate nitrogen from algae in the water column within shell and tissue, which through harvesting, is removed from the system*, asserting an ecological benefit.

   * Pollack, Yoskowitz, Kim, Montagna; *Plos One*, Volume 8, Issue 6, June 2013

9. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts to areas of historic and archaeological significance:
   There are no known historic or archaeological resources in the proposed site.

10. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant conflicts with water dependent uses and activities such as recreational boating, swimming, navigation, and commerce:

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    The site is located in the Sakonnet River, on the southwest side of Seapowet Creek. The water depth and coarse sand/gravelly bottom are not conducive to boating*, swimming** or fishing, and there is no significant hardshell clam resource on the site. The area SW of Seapowet Point is extremely shallow and cannot be safely navigated during low tides*. The area west of Seapowet and Fogland Points presents dangerous swimming conditions.** Fishermen, shellfishermen and bathers typically use the area to the north of the Seapowet Creek. The lease site would still be possible for people to walk or wade through, or kayak through.

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11. Demonstrate that measures have been taken to minimize any scenic impact:
   The gear design is such that it will not be visible, even at low tide, with the exception of buoys at each of the corners, as required.
North
South
East
SECTION VIEW (SIDE)
TYPICAL OYSTER CAGE GEAR LAYOUT

BOWEN OYSTER FARM
MARCH 2020
P. BOWEN

SCALE 1/8" = 1"

AVE. MEAN LOW TIDE
@ CAGE LOCATIONS
20" - 42"

24" x 48" x 16" WIRE CAGE w/ 3 LEVELS OF TRAYS
18" x 36" ADPI OYSTER BAG CLIPPED TO TOP

STANDARD ADPI BAG CLIPPED TO CAGE

1 1/2" NYLON ROPE LATERAL LINE BOTH SIDES

2" RUNNERS BOTTOM OF CAGE

CAGE TIED OR CLIPPED TO LINE

48"
SECTION VIEW
TYPICAL OYSTER CAGE
GEAR LAYOUT

SIDE VIEW

AVERAGE MEAN LOW TIDE
20" - 42"

1/2" NYLON ROPE LATERAL LINE

24" x 48" x 16" WIRE CAGE
W/ 5 LEVELS OF TRAYS

18" x 36" OYSTER BAG CLIPPED TO CAGE

CAGE CLIPPED TO NYLON ROPE EACH END

END VIEW

AVERAGE MEAN LOW TIDE
20" - 42"

1/2" NYLON ROPE LATERAL LINE BOTH ENDS

24" x 48" x 16" WIRE CAGES ON BOTTOM
W/ 3 TRAYS EACH CLIPPED TO 1/2" NYLON ROPE

18" x 36" OYSTER BAGS CLIPPED TO CASES

5/8" x 36" HEADING ANCHORS
N/40, N/44, N/45

SCALE 1/2" = 1'0"
SITE PLAN
scale: 1/4" = 10' - 0"
DEPTH CONTOURS @ MEAN LOW TIDE

BOWEN OYSTER FARM
MARCH 2020
P. BOWEN
SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 10'-0"
DEPTH CONTOURS @ MEAN LOW TIDE
W/ PROPOSED GEAR LAYOUT

200'

41.580024,-71.209985

41.580836,-71.209611

41.580975,-71.210286

N

NW

NE

SW

SE

48'

42'

36'

30'

24'

18'

12'

330'

110'

360'
SITE CROSS SECTION

SCALE: \( \frac{1}{4} \text{"} = 10' - 0" \) (SAME AS PLAN VIEW)

MEAN HIGH TIDE
MEAN LOW TIDE

MEAN LOW: 7' - 54"

\( \approx 300' \)

NORTH END
MEAN LOW TIDE
(SHALLOWEST)
\( \approx 12" \)

\( \text{(10)} \) 24' x 48' x 16" WIRE CAGES

5/8" x 36" HELICAL ANCHOR
EACH END W/ LATERAL LINES

SOUTH END
MEAN LOW TIDE
(DEEPEST)
\( \approx 54" \)

150'
Application for a Special Permit for Aquaculture
R.I.G.L. 20-10-12

Name: John Bowen, Patrick Bowen
CRMC Assent#: Applied For

Address: 79 Shaw Road
Little Compton, RI 02837
Assent Expiration Date: N/A
Assent Type: Commercial

Species to be cultured/possessed: Eastern oyster, Crassostrea virginica
(must coincide with terms of CRMC Assent)

Location where organisms will be held: Sakonnet River, Tiverton, RI
(must coincide with terms of CRMC Assent)

Land Based: NO
Open Water: YES
Bottom Culture: NO

Cage Culture: YES Number: 200 Approximate Size: 24"Wx48"Lx16"H
Raft Culture: NO

Other (describe): Standard 18"x36" ADPl bags secured to cages.

Lease: One lease site, applied for. Size: 0.97 acres

Type/description of markers used to identify site: Yellow pot buoys, 11” on each corner, marked with CRMC Assent Number
(Must coincide with terms of CRMC Assent)

Will the cultured species always be maintained within the lease?: YES
Will they be moved (from upwellers, spat collectors, raceways, cages, etc. to grow-out area) as part of culture: NO

Purpose for culture: Food Production
Is the end product to be sold?: YES
In-state: YES Out of State: NO
Live: YES Whole: YES Processed: NO

Source of organisms to be used for culture: Hatchery: YES
Name of Hatchery: Approved hatchery to be determined
Anticipated time of delivery to Rhode Island?: After CRMC Assent granted, when seed is available.

The aquaculturist must notify the D.E.M. Divisions of Fish and Wildlife and Enforcement of every shipment of animals for culture at least five days prior to entry into the state and each shipment must be accompanied by a certificate of disease inspection from a recognized laboratory appropriate to the species being raised.

Approximate size of organisms (seed, fingerlings, larvae, adults) to be imported into RI: 7mm

Approximate quantity anticipated to be received this (permit) year: 25,000

Other Conditions:

By submission of this application for issuance or renewal of a Special Permit for Aquaculture, the aquaculturist provides the Division of Fish and Wildlife and the Division of Enforcement with the authority to enter and inspect all aquaculture facilities which have been requested to be permitted. (R.I.G.L. 20-10-15). By submission of this application, the aquaculturist agrees to acquire and maintain all of the appropriate licenses and permits necessary to conduct the culture and seafood business within the State of R.I. and comply with all laws, rules, and regulations regarding the possession, sale, trade, transport, purchase, and barter of fish/shellfish and seafood products. Noncompliance of the conditions of this permit will result in forfeiture of this Special Permit for Aquaculture and possible prosecution.

[Signature] [Signature] [4/13/2020] (Authorized Signature) (Date)

Appendix D
Revised 03/18