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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 25, 2019 7:49 PM  
**To:** dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov  
**Cc:** terra@rhodyoysters.com

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dave,

Last Saturday I went to the Matunuck Point Assoc meeting to discuss my proposed lease. It was clear that the floating gear is what bothered people the most. One person asked if I would consider submerging some of my existing gear on my current farm in order to get the new lease. I asked if that would get them to support the new site and several people shouted "no". There was lots of concern about the view some concern about the ability to water ski, go tubing and the impact of the potential farm on striped bass fishing.

I was scheduled to meet with RISAA on Tuesday night but was told not to come by the president of RISAA.

Perry

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 08, 2019 4:29 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Cc:** Terra Emery

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Dave, Yesterday I met with Ralph Riccio who is the President of the Matunuck Community Association and he explained that his board thought it was a good idea to offer a discussion between their association and myself. The group was emailed to see if anyone wanted to attend a meeting to discuss the proposal with me and several people in his association showed interest in meeting with me to discuss the proposal but three people were upset that he proposed the idea and he himself wants to remain neutral and does not want to upset the other members so he canceled the meeting between me and the association members.

Corner markers for the proposed lease site have been removed several times over the course of the last several months. I recently reset the corner markers and checked on them the next day and one was missing, I'll continue to check on them and replace as needed.

My meeting with the Matunuck Pt Beach Club is still scheduled for next Saturday.

Thank you

Perry

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Perry Raso

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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2019 8:40 PM  
**To:** dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov  
**Cc:** terra@rhodyoysters.com

Dave, I spoke to the president of the village at potter pond (brad) today about the proposed new farm. He said his only concerns are working hours and noise. He said he would bring it up at their board meeting on Friday to see if there are other concerns.

Also, I spoke with president of Matunuck point beach club, joe Scott, and he invited meet their group in August. I also emailed the president of RISAA and the other community association in Matunuck which Ralph Riccio is the president of.

FYI I gave my assistant Terra copied here.

Thank you,  
Perry

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 29, 2019 2:31 PM  
**To:** dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov  
**Cc:** terra@rhodyoysters.com

I spoke to the Village at Potter Pond President to set up a meeting about the new farm location today. He said he would be in town within the next day or two and he would call me. If I don't hear from him I will call him back on Thursday. Also, the corner markers for the proposed lease continue to get moved or disappear. I set new markers up Monday and by Thursday the north west corner marker was gone. It has been replaced again.

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**From:** Perry Raso <perry@rhodyoysters.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 24, 2019 7:54 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

I have a kaizen training session I'm going to at 830 so I'll touch base when I leave probably around noon. Thanks

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On Jul 23, 2019, at 2:44 PM, Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)> wrote:

8:30 or anytime after 11:30

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**From:** Perry Raso [<mailto:perry@rhodyoysters.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 2:32 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Sure I can meet you. What time tomorrow works best?

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On Jul 23, 2019, at 1:43 PM, Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)> wrote:

Perry,

I would like to talk with you some time soon about this application and the current council. Do you have any time tomorrow or Friday morning? It shouldn't take too long and I can meet you someplace convenient for you. Thanks.

Dave

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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2019 9:40 AM  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 28, 2019 2:15 PM  
**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[ccapizzo@psh.com](mailto:ccapizzo@psh.com)>  
**Cc:** 'John Boehnert' <[jmb@jmblawoffices.com](mailto:jmb@jmblawoffices.com)>  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 28, 2019 1:35 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Cc:** John Boehnert  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

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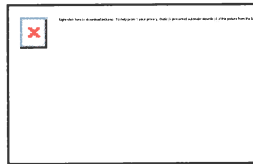
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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 5, 2018 1:12 PM

**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[ccapizzo@psh.com](mailto:ccapizzo@psh.com)>

**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Hi Christian,

I have not worked on the Raso file so there is nothing scheduled in the near future. As you can surmise, this application will take a lot of time which is not yet available.

Dave

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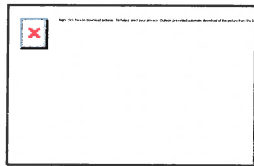
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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:ccapizzo@psh.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 05, 2018 11:21 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Hope you had a nice thanksgiving. I just reviewed the most recent CRMC Agenda and it looks like you are back on track with the regular slate of CRMC applications including those involving oyster farms. Can you please advise if you have completed your report and submitted to the Council. If you have not can you provide a time frame on when you expect to complete.

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F.  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2018 9:37 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Hope you had a good weekend. Thanks for the response. That was my understanding based on our last correspondence in May. Please let me know if you have a sense when it may be completed. I understand that you don't control when it will appear on the Council calendar was submitted but a lot people including my clients were looking for an update. If you can please let me know once your report is completed and when you will be submitting to the Council I would appreciate it. I would also appreciate it if you can please email me the report once

completed. If there is additional that I can provide to assist in your review on behalf of my clients, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Christian

On Sep 10, 2018, at 8:08 AM, Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)> wrote:

Good morning Christian,

Summer was great. I have not worked on the report at all and there are two that need to be completed before it. There are no additional materials that I am aware of for the file. Just so you know, the offshore wind projects have taken precedence and aquaculture is lagging behind in my efforts.

Dave

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@psh.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2018 5:35 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,  
Hope you had a nice summer. Can you please provide an update on your review of this matter and whether you have completed your report. I understand that you have no input on the public hearing date but I wanted to know if you have a sense on when you anticipate this matter coming before the Council. Last we spoke you thought that it might be scheduled to be heard in September/October.

If there have been additional materials submitted to CRMC on since my last correspondence can you please forward to my attention.

I look forward to hearing from you.  
Regards,  
Christian



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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>

**Sent:** Friday, May 25, 2018 11:02 AM

**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>

**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Hi Christian,

Attached is the recent correspondence. I have not worked on the file at all since we last communicated. I have no idea when I will work on it again as the offshore wind power projects are taking most of my time. Happy Memorial Day weekend!

Dave

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, May 24, 2018 4:50 PM

**To:** Dave Beutel

**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

I hope this email finds you well. I just left a message at your office. Can you please provide an update on your review of this matter and whether you have completed your report. I understand that you have no input on the public hearing date but I wanted to know if you have a sense on when you anticipate this matter coming before the Council. In addition, it appears that there have been additional materials submitted to CRMC on April 19, 2018 and April 27, 2018. Can you please forward via email the documentation that was filed to my attention.

Thanks,  
Christian

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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2018 7:58 AM  
**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Christian,

Sorry about the attachment. As for the schedule I do not expect to finish the report until June when it will go into the queue for public hearing. I have no input on the public hearing date.

Dave

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:59 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Thanks for the email. However Mr. Raso's proposed alternative shape was not attached. Please forward the attached document that you referenced as soon as possible. In regards to the ACOE report, can you please notify me when you receive this report and when you expect to complete your review of Mr. Raso's application.

In regards to when this matter will be scheduled for hearing, the last time we spoke at the Marine Fisheries Council meeting you indicated that you thought late May/early June.

I am attempting to coordinate a lot of moving parts on behalf of my clients to ensure that CRMC staff and the Council have the necessary information and materials to assist in their review of Mr. Raso's application for a proposed aquaculture farm in Segar Cove. Please let me know when you expect this matter to go before the Council.

Regards,  
Christian

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**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Good morning Christian,

Attached is a proposed alternative shape for the Raso application. CRMC has not received the required letter from RI Marine Fisheries Council. Once that letter is received the required communications should be complete except for the ACOE which has not yet reviewed the application with CRMC. Once these events have occurred the report will receive attention. I do not anticipate having much time to work on it soon given the offshore wind power issues that need my attention.

CRMC does not know of any permitted activity as shown in your photograph. You may want to inquire at DEM to see if they have a survey occurring in that area. John Lake would be the contact person for that type of activity.

Dave

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 5:24 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Hope this email finds you well. I wanted to follow up on the status of your review of the above file and when you expect the matter to appear on the CRMC Agenda

for public hearing. Please advise when you get a chance.

I also wanted to find out if CRMC received additional filings related to the project including but not limited to Mr. Raso's revised plan submittals for the farm. My understanding is that he amended his application in order to reconfigure the proposed farm. If you can send me any additional filings that would be great.

On another note, I received the attached photograph today of someone conducting work in Segar Cove in the area where Mr. Raso is proposing to locate the aquaculture farm. Can you let me know if CRMC is aware of work being done in this area and whether it was authorized by CRMC. The individual said that it looked like they were throwing down something like a net and taking dirt out. When you get a chance can you look into this and advise.

Thanks,  
Christian

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**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

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**To:** [dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)  
**Subject:** CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Good talking with you today. If you can please forward the entire application with any objections that you have received to this email address that would be great. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,  
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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F.  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2018 9:37 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Hope you had a good weekend. Thanks for the response. That was my understanding based on our last correspondence in May. Please let me know if you have a sense when it may be completed. I understand that you don't control when it will appear on the Council calendar was submitted but a lot of people including my clients were looking for an update. If you can please let me know once your report is completed and when you will be submitting to the Council I would appreciate it. I would also appreciate it if you can please email me the report once completed. If there is additional that I can provide to assist in your review on behalf of my clients, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Christian

On Sep 10, 2018, at 8:08 AM, Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)> wrote:

Good morning Christian,

Summer was great. I have not worked on the report at all and there are two that need to be completed before it. There are no additional materials that I am aware of for the file. Just so you know, the offshore wind projects have taken precedence and aquaculture is lagging behind in my efforts.

Dave

David Beutel

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@psh.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2018 5:35 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Hope you had a nice summer. Can you please provide an update on your review of this matter and whether you have completed your report. I understand that you have no input on the public hearing date but I wanted to know if you have a sense on when you anticipate this matter coming before the Council. Last we spoke you thought that it might be scheduled to be heard in September/October.

If there have been additional materials submitted to CRMC on since my last correspondence can you please forward to my attention.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,  
Christian



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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 25, 2018 11:02 AM  
**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Hi Christian,

Attached is the recent correspondence. I have not worked on the file at all since we last communicated. I have no idea when I will work on it again as the offshore wind power projects are taking most of my time. Happy Memorial Day weekend!

Dave

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 24, 2018 4:50 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

I hope this email finds you well. I just left a message at your office. Can you please provide an update on your review of this matter and whether you have completed your report. I understand that you have no input on the public hearing date but I wanted to know if you have a sense on when you anticipate this matter coming before the Council. In addition, it appears that there have been additional materials submitted to CRMC on April 19, 2018 and April 27, 2018. Can you please forward via email the documentation that was filed to my attention.

Thanks,  
Christian

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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2018 7:58 AM  
**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Christian,

Sorry about the attachment. As for the schedule I do not expect to finish the report until June when it will go into the queue for public hearing. I have no input on the public hearing date.

Dave

David Beutel  
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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:59 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Thanks for the email. However Mr. Raso's proposed alternative shape was not attached. Please forward the attached document that you referenced as soon as possible. In regards to the ACOE report, can you please notify me when you receive this report and when you expect to complete your review of Mr. Raso's application.

In regards to when this matter will be scheduled for hearing, the last time we spoke at the Marine Fisheries Council meeting you indicated that you thought late May/early June.

I am attempting to coordinate a lot of moving parts on behalf of my clients to ensure that CRMC staff and the Council have the necessary information and materials to assist in their review of Mr. Raso's application for a proposed aquaculture farm in Segar Cove. Please let me know when you expect this matter to go before the Council.

Regards,  
Christian



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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:21 AM  
**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Good morning Christian,

Attached is a proposed alternative shape for the Raso application. CRMC has not received the required letter from RI Marine Fisheries Council. Once that letter is received the required communications should be complete except for the ACOE which has not yet reviewed the application with CRMC. Once these events have occurred the report will receive attention. I do not anticipate having much time to work on it soon given the offshore wind power issues that need my attention.

CRMC does not know of any permitted activity as shown in your photograph. You may want to inquire at DEM to see if they have a survey occurring in that area. John Lake would be the contact person for that type of activity.

Dave

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 5:24 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,



Hope this email finds you well. I wanted to follow up on the status of your review of the above file and when you expect the matter to appear on the CRMC Agenda for public hearing. Please advise when you get a chance.

I also wanted to find out if CRMC received additional filings related to the project including but not limited to Mr. Raso's revised plan submittals for the farm. My understanding is that he amended his application in order to reconfigure the proposed farm. If you can send me any additional filings that would be great.

On another note, I received the attached photograph today of someone conducting work in Segar Cove in the area where Mr. Raso is proposing to locate the aquaculture farm. Can you let me know if CRMC is aware of work being done in this area and whether it was authorized by CRMC. The individual said that it looked like they were throwing down something like a net and taking dirt out. When you get a chance can you look into this and advise.

Thanks,  
Christian

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**From:** Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 2:58 PM

**To:** Capizzo, Christian F. <[CFC@PSH.com](mailto:CFC@PSH.com)>

**Subject:** RE: CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Christian,

Here is the complete application. Please call with questions.

Dave

David Beutel

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**From:** Capizzo, Christian F. [<mailto:CFC@PSH.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 2:43 PM  
**To:** [dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)  
**Subject:** CRMC File # 2017-12-086

Dave,

Good talking with you today. If you can please forward the entire application with any objections that you have received to this email address that would be great. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,  
Christian

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## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perry@rhodyoysters.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 27, 2018 11:20 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Cc:** Robin Marek  
**Subject:** Re: Potter Pond

Yes, I'm told they are posted up around town by someone w the last name Hughes. Several people from the Matunuck Point Association have told me that they feel that some members of the association are speaking against the proposed lease on behalf of the association even though not all the members of the association oppose. Over the last several months I have spoke to dozens of residents who live on the pond that agree the proposed site is out of the way of all other user groups, some of those people have offered to attend the CRMC meeting to give their perspective if that is appropriate. I am hesitant to ask those who don't offer to show up to the meeting as it will put them at odds face to face with their neighbors but I will do so if you feel it will have a large impact on the outcome.

Is there going to access to video at the meeting? If so do you think it would be useful to show water skiing in the cove and how it can be (and is) done without coming close to the proposed site? There is not frequently water skiing in that cove but when I have observed water skiing in the cove I notice that they do not come close to the proposed site and perhaps showing that is a good idea.

Are the council members able to access or view the site? I would be glad to take any of them there at any time.

Thank you

Perry

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 27, 2018, at 7:49 AM, Dave Beutel <[dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov](mailto:dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov)> wrote:

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> FYI.

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> David Beutel

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: CRMC [<mailto:jwillis@crmc.ri.gov>]

> Sent: Friday, August 24, 2018 10:31 PM

> To: David Beutel; Grover J. Fugate

> Subject: Potter Pond

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> Have you seen the attached?

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**SOUTH KINGSTOWN**  
**WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**February 1, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Commissioner Smith at 7:08 p.m. at The Neighborhood Guild

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** L. Murphy, G. Windhurst, R. Smith, J. Bedell

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** B. Laramée, M. Sherry, T. O'Neil

**STAFF PRESENT:** T. Murphy, M. Stach

**STAFF ABSENT:**

**GUESTS:** Perry Raso, Residents of Matunuck Village

**MEETING MINUTES:** Motion to approve December 7, 2017 meeting minutes by J. Bedell, seconded by L. Murphy. Motion passed 4-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Smith read names of residents who submitted correspondence to be placed on the record. (list attached)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Perry Raso 2236 Comm. Oliver Perry Hazard Highway**

Mr. Raso is the applicant for File #2017-12-086. He indicated that he chose the Segar Cove site specifically because his observations were that there is limited activity in the cove. He understands that there is water skiing and tubing which is why the location of the site – and that it is tucked into the side of the cove, keeps it away from the activity. This is his 4<sup>th</sup> application and first to pass CRMC's preliminary determination process. He understands the objections and concerns; and will be cognizant of aesthetics; operating hours will be reduced to not interfere with bird activity. Potter Pond is currently at 2.1% of the allowable 5% aquaculture per CRMC. Benefits of aquaculture include increased biodiversity, filtration of waters. Question by Commissioner Smith – how will scallops be able to survive in this area? Response: The water column is suitable for this activity.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the proposed aquaculture site related to CRMC File #2017-12-086

**Bill Irons 150 Prospect Road**

Lives on coves; great respect for Perry; however, May to September there is constant activity on the pond and locating an aquaculture farm will disrupt this activity.

**Carol Cimilluca 2464C Commodore Perry Highway**

Read letter submitted to CRMC that opposes the proposed aquaculture application for Segar Cove

**Michael Mainelli 142 Prospect Road**

Proposed aquaculture lease will negatively impact recreational activity in the cove. Power boaters currently stay on the perimeter of the cove; while kayaks and paddle boarders use the middle of the cove. The location of the proposed aquaculture operation will force power boats to move further to the center of the cove; and reduce the overall area available for various activities to take place at the same time.

go from there? Mr. Raso responded that oysters/scallops will be sorted on a boat or platform (not in the cove); some will be delivered to the restaurant; others to delivery vehicles that would load at the restaurant. Question re: plastic PVC pipe and plastic bags that end up as debris on the shoreline; and loud music that is sometimes heard from workers. P. Raso responded that both would be addressed. He provided his cell phone number to contact him directly in the event of loud music.

Question: At what point was permission granted for floating gear? P. Raso responded that it was a few years ago when mud crabs became a problem.

Question: How much additional space outside the boundaries of the farming area is required for work boats? P. Raso responded that most of the boat activity would be inside the parameters of the proposed site.

Question: Does CRMC make suggestions to applicants on their proposal?

Question regarding access. People can access aquaculture sites, they just cannot harvest. It was noted that the proposed site is in six feet of water – not an area that would be wade-able.

Harbor Master noted that 3 acres of usable water obviously constricts the area however, there are no safety concerns or issues related to the boats and waterways ordinance. He also noted that the proposed site is not a common fishing area or an area where he has commonly seen people fishing.

Power washing and associated debris was raised as a concern.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. CRMC Aquaculture Preliminary Determination – P. Raso – Proposed Expansion Leisure**

This item is related to New Business Item A. It was reported that the Preliminary Determination process was completed by CRMC and a report issued to the applicant.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. CRMC Public Notice – File #2017-12-086 – P. Raso**

The Commission heard public comment from all who wished to speak on this matter; and followed up with question and answers directed to the applicant – P. Raso. Detail of this is included in public comment section of these minutes.

Commissioner Murphy made a motion that the Waterfront Advisory Commission respond to CRMC Public Notice 2017-12-086 noting its opposition to the proposed aquaculture farm in Segar Cove as it would have a negative impact on recreational activity in the area.

Discussion continued with Commissioner Bedell indicating that he would like to wait to make an informed decision; Commissioner Windhurst agreed that there was an abundance of information to consider after significant public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bedell to table the item and request an extension of the public comment period deadline from CRMC to allow the Waterfront Advisory Commission to provide comment after further review of concerns and information brought forth during the meeting; as well as discovery of any further information that may be relevant to this issue. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Windhurst. Motion passed 4-0.

### **B. Harbor Management Plan Update**

It was reported that the Harbor Management Plan update will be delayed until the Town Comprehensive Plan and Hazard Mitigation Plans are updated. CRMC granted an extension of the plan update deadline.

### **C. Marina Park Rental – Renewal - South Kingstown Farmers Market**

South Kingstown Farmers Market submitted a renewal request for renting field space at Marina Park to operate an outdoor farmers market from May to October. Motion to approve the request was made by Commissioner Murphy and seconded by Commissioner Windhurst. Motion passed 4-0.

South Kingstown Waterfront Advisory Commission  
February 1, 2018

Correspondence

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267 Prospect Road

Gloria Latham  
298 Prospect Rd.

Matthew Carey  
50 Park Avenue

Dorothy Woodcock  
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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:49 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Message from KM\_C364e  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C364e18041618460.pdf

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dave,

The amended Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting minutes are attached. The Harbor Masters comments are highlighted.

Perry

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Mon, Apr 16, 2018 at 6:23 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Message from KM\_C364e  
**To:** "DeAngelis, Joseph" <JDeAngelis@apslaw.com>  
**Cc:** "Parker, Leslie" <LParker@apslaw.com>, Richard Beretta <rberetta@apslaw.com>

Joe,

The meeting minutes from the Waterfront Advisory Commissions meeting were just amended to include the Harbor Masters comments which I highlighted. The Harbor Master was the only non biased person in the room that is familiar with the pond. As we discussed on the phone, RIDEM has voted to not object and although the DEM only shows up to the CRMC meeting to object, I do understand that at least one of the staffers has expressed desire to show up in support but the staffer has indicated that they would need approval from the director. I will send the DEM letter immediately after this email.

Perry

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**From:** <info@rhodyoysters.com>  
**Date:** 2018-04-16 18:46 GMT-04:00  
**Subject:** Message from KM\_C364e  
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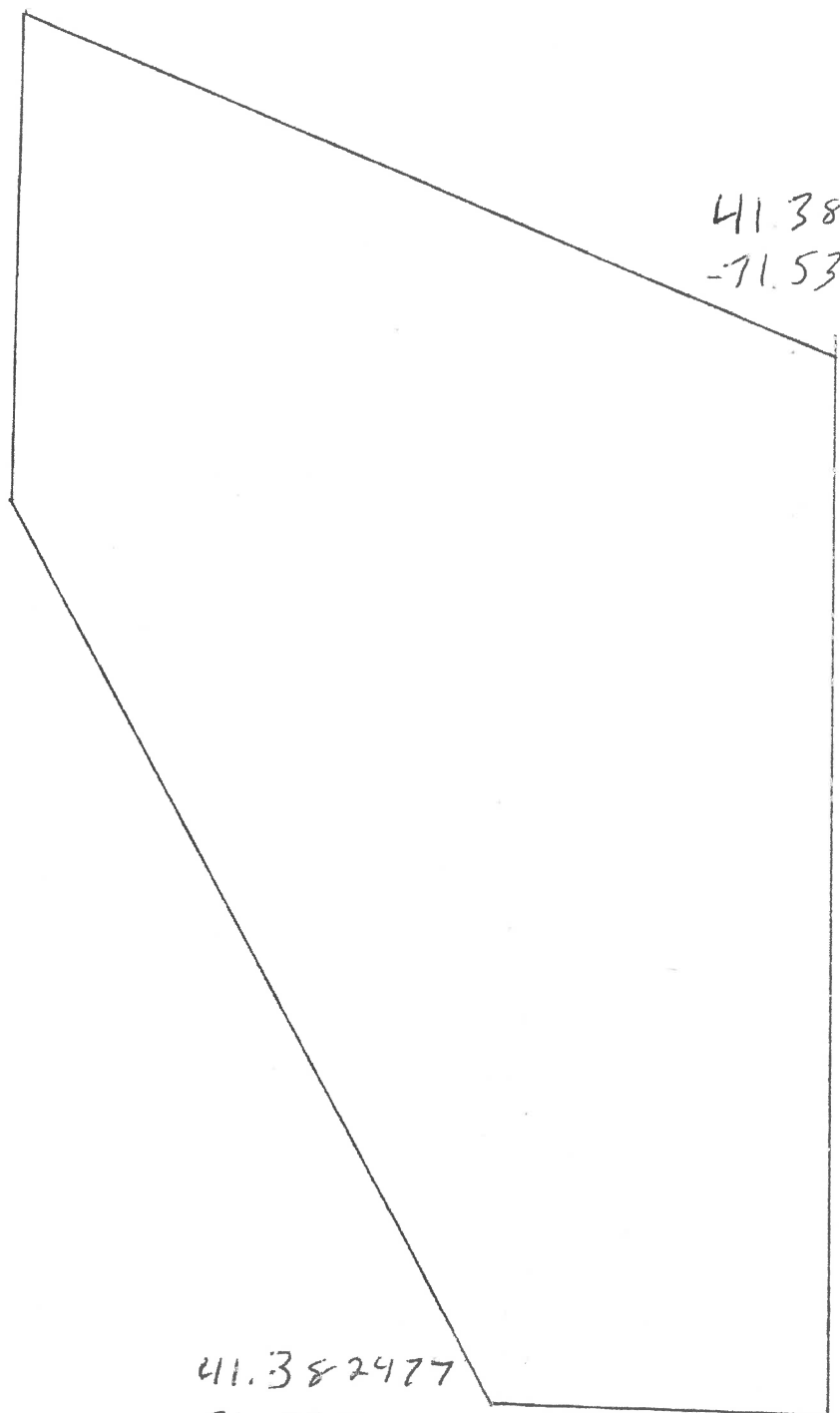
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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 1:54 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Message from KM\_C364e  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C364e18031414200.pdf

This is the revised proposed lease area.  
Perry

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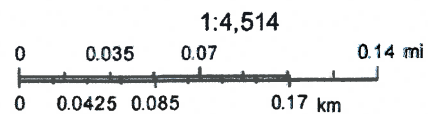


# Aquaculture Location Sketch



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|  SAV 2012         |  Blue: Blue   |



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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 1:13 PM  
**To:** harbormaster@skpd.org  
**Cc:** Dave Beutel

Mike,

At the Waterfront meeting on Feb 1 you explained how you feel the proposed farm would impact boater safety and recreational/commercial fishing. Your response on the safety concerns is in the minutes of the meeting however your response of the areas use of fishing is not in the meeting minutes. I was hoping that you could provide your perspective on the past use of the proposed area for commercial and recreational fishing.

Thank you

Perry

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 8:04 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Attachments:** response to objections .docx

Dave,

What I have so far for the letter to address objections is attached. I can come by earlier than 9 if your available.

Perry

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## Response to the letters of objection to the 3 acre shellfish lease in Segar Cove:

The lease site will impact the ability for the public to enjoy the cove for water skiing and tubing:

During the summer months people ski and tube in Potter Pond, the primary place that people ski and tube is the north end of the pond in what many refer to as "skiers cove". The cove referred to as skiers cove is approximately 1850' x 1200'. To a far lesser extent, Segar Cove is also used for water skiing and tubing. Segar cove is approximately 1000' east to west and approximately 3000' north to south however only about 1300' can currently be used for skiing and tubing due to the shape of the cove as well as a mooring field in the north end of the cove. The proposed lease, if granted, would narrow the area for skiing by approximately 150' from east to west in the center of the area proposed (see attached) but would not reduce the space for water skiing and tubing from north to south.

The lease will inhibit the use of kayaking and paddle boarding:

The proposed lease area would still be open and accessible by kayak or paddle boards. The buoys used to float the scallop nets and the floats fastened to the oyster cages would be arranged in lines or rows. Paddle craft would be able to navigate up and down the rows and across the rows between the floatation. The existing oyster farm has been an attraction for curious kayakers and paddle boarders on the pond who want to see the farm. Matunuck Oyster Farm has scheduled farm tours with a kayak group who kayaked to the farm.

The proposed lease will interfere with shell fishing and fin fishing:

Shellfish in Segar Cove are primarily found along the shoreline. The site proposed was the sea bed at the proposed site has a very soft mud not characteristic of shellfish habitat. RIDEM and CRMC have both surveyed the area and found less than 1 northern quahog per meter square

In order to harvest wild shellfish in the proposed site one would need to use a long stale bull rake which I have never seen any one do in Potter Pond, the other method to harvest shellfish in the proposed area would be utilizing scuba tanks however the use of scuba for harvesting shellfish is prohibited in the Potter Pond due residents concern about the shellfish being harvested using scuba.

The proposed lease will interfere with fishing and the sand worm hatch:

Sand the depth of water in the lease is 6 feet and the sea floor on the site is very soft mud. Cinder worms or sand worms characteristically hatch in shallower and sandier sea floors than what is on the proposed lease. Cinder worms have been found to hatch from the layers of shell in oysters (Pettibone 1963). Fishing within and around the farm would still be allowable. The spring days when cinder worm hatches occur, the worms can be found in variable densities throughout the pond however due to the depth and sediment type in the lease, it is unlikely that the sand worms hatch in the sediment under the proposed lease.

Information regarding this application has been disseminated via newspaper articles, emails and websites stating false information which has misinformed the public about how the proposed farm would restrict recreational use. Statements such as “public access to any part of the lease site will be impossible” and if the farm if permitted it would be “removing this water from the public domain” (see attached). A deceptive picture of the proposed lease has also been circulated depicting the proposed lease to be over 300% larger than what was actually applied for (attached). The lease is pictured on the website is approximately 10 acres and the area is labeled “proposed new site No Entry”.

Segar Cove is 54 acres and the proposed 3 acre lease would be approximately 5.5% of the cove and about 1% of Potter Pond. I strongly believe that the increase of total amount of shellfish aquaculture in Potter Pond of 1% of the pond to bring the total amount of shellfish aquaculture to 3.1% of the total surface area of the pond is an appropriate balance with the recreational uses that it currently experiences.

While the application is being proposed for an individual farm to grow and sell shellfish, the ecosystem services of shellfish farms should be considered. The filter feeding of the scallops and oysters in the proposed farm would provide a number of ecosystem benefits including increased dissolved oxygen, increased biodiversity, reduced turbidity and increased aquatic vegetation. As the filter feeding bivalves remove phytoplankton from the water, the gear they are housed in provides habitat for a number of different fish species as shelter. This will benefit osprey, mink, fox and other wildlife that eat fish.

## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2018 6:50 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Please help protect Potter's Pond!

The email below was forwarded from the "nextdoor" app. There is a link in the email to [savepotterpond.org](http://savepotterpond.org). The site has several inaccurate statements.

Perry

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Nextdoor Succotash Rd" <[reply@rs.email.nextdoor.com](mailto:reply@rs.email.nextdoor.com)>  
**Date:** February 21, 2018 at 6:15:26 PM EST  
**To:** [perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Please help protect Potter's Pond!  
**Reply-To:**  
[reply+GI3TEMBUHEZTMX3QOJXWI5LDORUW63S7KBHVGVC7G43DSOJWGEZDK===@southcountyhills.nextdoor.com](mailto:reply+GI3TEMBUHEZTMX3QOJXWI5LDORUW63S7KBHVGVC7G43DSOJWGEZDK===@southcountyhills.nextdoor.com)



Tim Haitz, South County Hills

See <https://www.savepotterpond.org>

I am copying this directly from the Save Potter Pond webpage, although there is MUCH more information on the webpage (and beautiful pictures) -- specifically about the recent discussions concerning Segur Cove. There is even a bird's eye view of the map depicting the current lease (10 acres) and the proposed lease (3+ additional acres.)

"Approval of proposed lease would effectively privatize this stretch of water, cutting off all public access to 3+ acres, creating dangerous conditions for all other users! (The...[Read more](#))

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Fighting to maintain public access to all of Segar Cove and Potter Pond  
SAVEPOTTERPOND.ORG

Feb 21 in General to 12 neighborhoods

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## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 18, 2018 8:39 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Re:

The statement I found was on the online comment section of Todds article, it was posted Feb 2. If you click on the text box with the number 1 next to it or if you scroll all the way to bottom of the page of the article.

[http://www.ricentral.com/arts\\_entertainment/should-there-be-a-limit-on-aquaculture-in-potter-pond/article\\_5f7f2788-02b7-11e8-a6b3-bffc44610e4f.html](http://www.ricentral.com/arts_entertainment/should-there-be-a-limit-on-aquaculture-in-potter-pond/article_5f7f2788-02b7-11e8-a6b3-bffc44610e4f.html)

On Sun, Feb 18, 2018 at 5:44 PM, Dave Beutel <dbeutel@crmc.ri.gov> wrote:

Let's talk about it this week. Was this letter in the Narragansett Times? If not, was it submitted to them?

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 18, 2018, at 12:49 PM, Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com> wrote:

Dave, I know that a few people sent in support letters/emails after the Feb 2 deadline and I know I wont be able to get all those who support it to show up to the full council meeting. I do feel I can find many people willing to show up to support the app, however those who show up might not all live in Matunuck/East Matunuck so their testimony at the hearing might not be as impactful. With that in mind, I am wondering if I can have supporters read support letters from those who can not attend the meeting at the council meeting.

Pasted below is a reply to Corayers article.

**Lifelong South County Swamper** Feb 2, 2018 1:25pm

There is every reason to support Perry Raso's newest application for expansion of aquaculture in Segar Cove.

The twenty first century has given us the opportunities to reverse the unsustainable practices of over 300 years of abuse to our waterways. Increased waste water management, stronger legislation, increased penalties for pollution, and decreased waterfront industries are some of those measures meant to protect our oceans, bays, and ponds.

Oysters eat by filtering water and removing phytoplankton which tends to balance algae populations. Large algal blooms greatly deplete oxygen levels for all organisms in a marine ecosystem. Along with algae filtration, oysters filter inert and polluting sediments and can filter up to 25 gallons of water a day. Oysters clean our waterways and increase biodiversity.

The suggestion that Raso's application timing is somehow underhanded is simply insulting. As part of good planning for new oyster beds, this would be the exact, and quite obvious, time to apply for an expanded lease.

As far as homeowners of rental properties along the pond, who would we rather have controlling use and quality of our waterways? Out of towners with no vested interest in our community except receipt of rent or a local business owner, raised and educated in South Kingstown, who has built a very large business, increased tourism in our town, provides employment for hundreds of year round South County residents, and whose actual business activity cleans our waterways?

I fully support expansion of Raso's oyster beds and would look forward to reduced use and pollution by "out of state homeowners". I am on the waterways everyday spring, summer, and fall and I have both witnessed and cleaned up after some of those summer visitors. I prefer to see our business leaders engaging in business

expansion that provides so many economic and ecologic benefits to our waterways and for our residents who live, work, play, and go to school in South Kingstown.

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018 11:50 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dave,

The meeting tonight did not go well, it did get ugly. At one point Mr. Sherry who is on the Panel urged the audience to "get militant" in their opposition of the farm, it shook me to hear a voting member of the panel give such a call to action. The tone of this meeting was much more harsh than the previous Waterfront advisory meeting, it was the most visceral and aggressive meeting I have ever been involved in. I would like to discuss this with you at your convince either over the phone or in person. Please let me know what works for you.

Thank you,

Perry

## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018 2:55 PM  
**To:** Theresa Murphy  
**Cc:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** last one  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C364e18021414060.pdf

Attached is a arial view of the proposed lease showing the distance from the center of the western edge of the proposed lease to the nearest shoreline (812 ft) and the distance from that same point on the western edge of the farm to the eastern edge of the farm nearest to shore (157 ft). The purpose is the show that there is enough room for the seasonal activity of skiing and tubing (about 2.7 football fields) between the western edge of the cove and the western edge of the lease.

Please pass this on to the Waterfront Advisory Panel.

Thank you

Perry

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**Date:** 2018-02-14 14:06 GMT-05:00  
**Subject:** Message from KM\_C364e  
**To:** [perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 01, 2018 10:27 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Message from KM\_C364e  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C364e18020110400.pdf

Dave, Attached are the expanded view of option B, I also included another possibility,, option c, the last page.  
Thank you  
Perry

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**Dave Beutel**

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2018 7:17 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Message from KM\_C364e  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C364e18013119400.pdf

Heres two more options for lease shape, let me know if either of these is what you are thinking might work. Option B starts a little further north (away from the point) but comes out more west on the north end of the lease.

Should I mention that I am planning to change the configuration of the lease at the meeting tomorrow?

Thank you

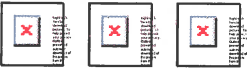
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**To:** [perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)

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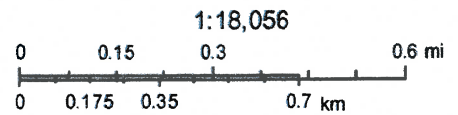


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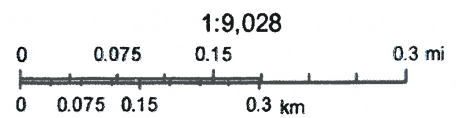


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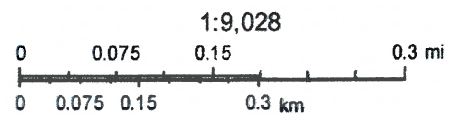
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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 10:10 AM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Possible Potter Pond lease area configuration  
**Attachments:** Raso\_possible.png

Dave,

This is the first map that Julia made, I thought it appeared to be encroaching on the shoreline too much so I thought it was best to stick to the original rectangle. Should I request that she draw up something that is more similar to what you sent over? The lines and layout would be a little more difficult but I would figure it out and it would address the water skiing concerns.

Perry

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**From:** Livermore, Julia (DEM) <[Julia.Livermore@dem.ri.gov](mailto:Julia.Livermore@dem.ri.gov)>  
**Date:** Mon, Jan 29, 2018 at 2:18 PM  
**Subject:** Possible Potter Pond lease area configuration  
**To:** "[perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)" <[perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)>

Hi Perry,

I played around for a while with your proposed lease area and it was fairly challenging to make it much longer, while still the same area, without creating a navigational issue at the opening of the cove (it stuck out too far into the opening). I've tapered off the bottom area and then added a few vertices to make it hug the shore more. I know that would mean more buoys for you but in order to keep the site close to 3 acres, this is all I was able to do. Is this sort of what you had in mind? I haven't made the formal map yet; I'll wait for your feedback.

Best,  
Julia

Julia Livermore, Principal Marine Biologist

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Aquaculture\_Sites  
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## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 2:32 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel  
**Subject:** Fwd: Perry's application - sorry

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

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**From:** Gerard Raso <[raso33@verizon.net](mailto:raso33@verizon.net)>  
**Date:** January 29, 2018 at 12:04:31 PM EST  
**To:** [perryraso@gmail.com](mailto:perryraso@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Perry's application - sorry

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Steve Medeiros <[stevem@risaa.org](mailto:stevem@risaa.org)>  
**To:** Raso, Rod <[raso33@verizon.net](mailto:raso33@verizon.net)>  
**Sent:** Mon, Jan 29, 2018 10:03 am  
**Subject:** Perry's application - sorry

Hi Rod,  
Perry has applied for a new aquaculture lease in Potters Pond.  
When it first came up our board didn't object. We know you and Perry.

A couple of weeks went by. But then a couple of members complained...  
then more.... then I started getting phone calls.  
Other board members were getting complaints.  
Our kayak committee bitched.  
Our members were all lobbying us to oppose it.

Apparently this site really IS in a rec fishing area, especially for  
guys with kayaks.  
It's spring worm hatch site. They claim they get stripers there all  
summer long, especially at night.

Finally, the board vote again, and this time it was to oppose and I am  
directed to send a letter to CRMC opposing it.  
Please let Perry know we have no choice on this.

Hope you understand.  
Steve

## Dave Beutel

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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 12:37 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dave, as you may know the RISSA board did not object upon initial review of the Segar Cove application. I assume the board did not object because no one on the board viewed that as a popular fishing area. Then RISSA started to receive calls and complaints especially from kayak fishermen (sounds like Todd got things going) and the board voted again and will be required to send in the letter of objection. I think it is noteworthy that the original vote was to not object.

Also, I spoke with rep Tanzi and Fogerty this morning. They both had received calls on the matter and it didnt sound like they were opposed to the site but did say they received calls. Id be happy to go into detail regarding the conversations with the state reps and correspondence with RISSA if youd like.

Thank you

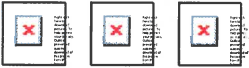
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**From:** Perry Raso <perryraso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 28, 2018 7:00 PM  
**To:** Dave Beutel

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dave, I spoke to some residents on the pond that informed me that Dave Lathem, a pond resident, has emailed the residents in that area and given them template letters to oppose the lease. Todd Corayer also wrote this very subjective article pasted below. I spent some time today reaching out and explaining the proposed site to several people today. They all use the pond consistently and agree that the area is not a fishing area, non of them have ever seen someone fishing in that area. I did reach out to Todd who seemed a little angry and he described it as a heavily used fishing area and said he himself goes fishing there regularly. Ironically I saw him kayaking on the pond yesterday for the first time.

Some of the people who wrote letters of opposition I believe were fed bad information on the site and filled out a template letter and others are the same people that opposed the harvest of steamers in the pond years ago despite a tremendous population. I will have letters from commercial and recreational users of the pond and home owners who can verify that the proposed area is not a popular fishing area, all of the people I spoke with, like me, have never seen anyone fishing there and these are people that use the pond frequently.

I will work with Julia to print out the entire area then set up a meeting with the harbor master and you. Im hoping the shot of the entire cove and proposed area will display that there is area enough for boating, kayaking, fishing, tubing and a shellfish farm.

Let me know if there is any further action you feel I should take at this time.

Thank you

Perry

[http://www.ricentral.com/arts\\_entertainment/should-there-be-a-limit-on-aquaculture-in-potter-pond/article\\_5f7f2788-02b7-11e8-a6b3-bffc44610e4f.html](http://www.ricentral.com/arts_entertainment/should-there-be-a-limit-on-aquaculture-in-potter-pond/article_5f7f2788-02b7-11e8-a6b3-bffc44610e4f.html)--

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