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Sent:	Tuesday, January 31, 2023 3:53 PM
To:	'Lisa Turner'; 'Brittany Spurlock'
Cc:	'Benjamin Goetsch'; 'Laura Miguel'
Subject:	FW: Aquaculture Lease #2017-12-086
Attachments:	1_24_23 Objection .pdf
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Lisa, Britt – for the File please.

Thanks, Jeff

From: council@crmc.ri.gov [mailto:council@crmc.ri.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 3:14 PM
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From: Phil Capaldi <philcapaldi@yahoo.com>
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Subject: Aquaculture Lease #2017-12-086

## 1/24/23

Dear Members of the Coastal Resource Management Council and Ben Goetsche,

I don't know what regulations/statutes will govern the motion from Council Members Mr. Sahagian and Mrs. Reynold regarding aquaculture lease 2017-12-086 going forward, but I object to the proposed lease and any modification. Development in this site negatively impacts recreational use.

The CRMC subcommittee reviewed the lease application, found that there was clear conflict of use for this location, and recommended denying the proposed lease. Reductions were discussed during this process prior to their vote.

I find it odd that Mr. Sahagian would propose a lease with such an exact reduction. Surely, the applicant for the Segar Cove lease must know what the area is needed to make an endeavor profitable. In addition, past testimony has the lease applicant talking about the space needed about bay scallops and lantern nets. Suddenly, this highly profitable shellfish is suddenly not going to be grown as stated in the application? Perhaps this "plan" from Mr. Sahagian is it just a placeholder to the eventual expansion of this smaller lease? Does Mr. Sahagian now speak on behalf of Mr. Raso?

The CRMC acts on behalf of the public. Clearly, protecting the public trust is being treated as bycatch.

Once an aquaculture lease is established, the lease lives on in perpetuity. Even Dr. Rheult, the grandfather of aquaculture, sold his lease - he didn't return it back for public use.

Finally, an appeal to Mr. Goetsche. Mr. Goetsche, strive for a higher standard than that of your predecessor with this and future lease applications.

Sincerely, Phil Capaldi 15 Baneberry Trail Saunderstown, RI 02874 401-413-3336



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## 1/25/23

Dear Members of the Coastal Resource Management Council and Ben Goetsche,

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