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NOTICE

March 24, 2020

CRMC File No: | 2017-12-086

Owner: | Perry Raso

Site Address: Potter Pond, South Kingstown, RI

Project: Oyster Aquaculture Farm

Subject: | Subcommittee Schedule In Light of State of Rhode Island COVID-19 Policies

Please be advised that the CRMC had made the decision to hear the matter CRMC Application 2017-12-086 Raso at Subcommittee. To that end, the Subcommittee had begun to develop a meeting schedule where hearings would have commenced in the next weeks ahead.

However, due to the issues that the Coronavirus has wrought on our state including the state's response on the size of gatherings and the minimization to exposure, the hearing schedule for the Subcommittee on CRMC Application 2017-12-086 Raso has been put on hold.

Please know that the CRMC is investigating avenues that would allow the agency to hold these hearings such that the CRMC would still be meeting the provisions of the APA and Open Meetings Act under current COVID-19 policies and which are consistent with the Governor's Executive Order #20-05 (March 16, 2020). No such determinations have been made to-date however.

Until such time that that decision is made for the immediate and near future, all CRMC Application 2017-12-086 Raso subcommittee hearings are on hold until further notice.

Given the Governor's directives on limiting social interactions but doing her best to keep government up and running we are endeavoring to find the best solution(s) that accomplish her goals. As the CRMC delves into the APA/Open Meeting Act requirements under the COVID-19 policies we will keep you informed on the future needs of the subcommittee. Thank you for your patience in this regard.

If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact us.