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Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:50 PM
To: Cstaff
Cc: Ben Goetsch
Subject: Application to expand CRMC#2019-12-055 - Brad Boehringer

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Dear CRMC:

I'm writing to you regarding Brad Boehringer's (of Walrus and Carpenter Oysters) application to construct and maintain a 3.5 acre expansion of the existing aquaculture site, CRMC#2019-12-055.

As I have written many times before, theDutch Harbor is saturated with oyster farms and they have had impacts on the area.

- Debris from the farms remains on the beach. None of the debris has identification on it although it's required. One piece is almost in front of our steps leading to the beach. Two other objects are on the south side of the creek and at least one is visible on the other side. Several items are farther down the beach closer to the farms.
- During the past several years, there has been a notable increase in sand accumulation at the Great Creek entrance from Dutch Harbor. Sand shoals are now extending out into the harbor, large quantities of sand are accumulating on the shores of the creek and one tidal pool is now completely closed off from water. We have lived here for twenty years and have not seen this situation in the past. If this accumulation is allowed to continue, the creek will become landlocked, killing the marshes that are fed by it. Although it is unclear if this change is related to the oyster farms, the only change to this area of the harbor during this period has been the massive expansion of oyster farms and the gear used to anchor these to the floor of the harbor.

We feel it is now environmentally imprudent to allow further expansion of these farms and their anchoring gear until this potential connection has been further evaluated.

- It is becoming more and more challenging sailing in the area as the distance between the farms and Dutch Island becomes less and less.

In summary, Dutch Harbor is saturated with oyster farms without their potential impacts having been scientifically researched. The Boehringer application for an additional 3.5 acres should not be approved.

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From: Robert Jiao <rjvet01@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 10:09 PM
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Subject: Dutch Harbor Oyster Farm Expansion
Attachments: IMG_2922.jpeg; IMG_2908.jpeg; IMG_2920.jpeg

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Good Evening Sir / Madam:

I am respectfully emailing my concern regarding the proposed expansion of Dutch Harbor Oyster Farm . I have nothing against business success and expansion but I believe maintenance of the company should not just be limited to what affects their production and profit but they have to be responsible for environmental debris that I believe detaches from their structures. It's as simple as being responsible enough to comb the bay , walk ashore and pick up stuff that is an eye sore and possible nautical hazard . Every 2 weeks I find such debris and try to drag back what I can and even load into my truck and dispose with my trash pick up in New York because I don't have regular garbage pick up in my house in Jamestown .

I bought property in Rhode Island because of its beauty. But it's a shame to see such garbage on the shore , and every 2 weeks I find new ones and obviously the Oyster Farm don't think it's their responsibility.

I can only imagine how much more detached Oyster farm garbage will pile up with the proposed expansion

Next year I will try to take a picture of how a part of the shore seems to have less water flow (stagnant water smelly water) when the the oyster cages were closer to the shore

First picture are trash we collect as we walk the length of the shore connecting to the Marina , we do this every 2 weeks

Sincerely





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