

Portsmouth Harbor Commission Suggested Areas for CRMC Aquaculture Process Improvement

- 1) Proactive abutter, impacted groups, and property owner notifications by applicant.
Be sure lease expansions do this too.
- 2) Include an aquaculture section in Harbor Management Plans. This obtains Municipality input and could influence the farm numbers, amount of shoreline used, position and size of sites in a Municipality's area (similar to mooring fields)
- 3) Selective testing of sites for pollution before approval. (Example - Navy Base Tank Farm runoff areas)
- 4) Non transferrable leases (similar to moorings) would prevent site stockpiling/flipping.
- 5) Enforce that all leases are productively used - no providing large leases to "grow into".
- 6) Limit aquaculture to only bottom cages in any navigable waters.
- 7) Limit Bay/River waters to only shellfish aquaculture.
- 8) Require cages to be permanently tagged with identification for clean up.

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