



PAUL R. LEPAGE
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF
MARINE RESOURCES
MARINE RESOURCES LABORATORY
P.O. BOX 8, 194 MCKOWN POINT RD
W. BOOTHBAY HARBOR, MAINE 04575-0008

NORMAN H. OLSEN
COMMISSIONER

June 15, 2011

Aqua Farms, LLC has applied to the Department of Marine Resources to transfer its aquaculture lease CAS BA2 to Wild Ocean Aquaculture, LLC of Hampden, Maine. This lease is located west of Bangs Island in Chebeague Island, Cumberland County, Maine.

Wild Ocean Aquaculture, LLC has asked us to encourage you to contact them directly to discuss any questions or concerns you may have about the future operation of this lease. Their address is: 9 Carver Road, Hampden, ME 04444; telephone number: (207) 745-1230.

As part of the transfer process, we offer the public a 14-day period within which you may submit written comments on this proposed transfer. No public hearing will be held.

Written comments regarding this application must be received by the Department no later than July 1, 2011. Send them to me at Department of Marine Resources, PO Box 8, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575. If you have questions, you can reach me by phone at (207) 633-9531, or by e-mail at diantha.robinson@maine.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Diantha C. Robinson
Aquaculture Hearings Officer

DCR/smb

Enclosure: Public Notice
Map of Lease Site

<http://www.Maine.gov/dmr>

PHONE: (207) 633-9500
FAX: (207) 633-9579



AQUACULTURE LEASE TRANSFER

The Commissioner is considering an application to transfer to Wild Ocean Aquaculture, LLC a 2-acre aquaculture lease, CAS BA2, located west of Bangs Island in Cumberland, held by Aqua Farms, LLC for the purposes of raising blue sea mussels, sugar kelp, kelp hollow stemmed/oarweed, fingered/horsetail kelp, winged kelp, dulse, nori/laver & sea lettuce. The lease runs from 1/17/03 to 1/16/13. A lease may be transferred for the remaining portion of its term provided the transfer is not for speculative purposes and will not result in a violation of the criteria under which the lease was originally granted.

Written comments on the proposed transfer will be accepted until **June 1, 2011**. **No public hearing will be held.**

For information, contact:
Diantha Robinson, DMR, PO Box 8
West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575
207/633-9531 diantha.robinson@maine.gov

Authority: 12 MRSA §6072 (12-A)

Aqua Farms, LLC.

Tollef Olson

188 Presumpscot Street

South Portland, ME 04106

207-799-2022 Fax

Description: West of Bangs Island Casco Bay Cumberland Cumberland County**Species Cultivated:** mussel blue sea (*Mytilus edulis*) - kelp sugar (*Laminaria saccharina*) - kelp hollow-stemmed / oarweed (*Laminaria longicuris*) - kelp fingered / horsetail (*Laminaria digitata*) - kelp winged (*Alaria esculenta*) - dulse (*Palmaria palmata*) - nori/laver (*Porphyra*) - sea lettuce (*Ulva lactuca*)**Cultivation Technique(s):** Suspended**Conditions:** The required lease markings shall be limited to marking of the moorings and structures in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard requirements; lobster fishing and recreational fishing shall be allowed on the open areas of the lease; the leaseholder will clear all lobster gear that becomes tangled with his equipment when the owner identifies the equipment to the leaseholder; the leaseholder shall remove all predator nets from the bottom of the lease area; the leaseholder shall conduct annual SCUBA dives on the lease site in order to monitor the bnetic conditions of the lease area; results of the dives shall be submitted to the Department on a reporting form to be provided to the leaseholder; the report shall be due annually in the fall.**Original Date:** 1/17/2003**Effective Date:** 1/17/2003**Expiration Date:** 1/16/2013**Transfer/Renewal History:** Formerly experimental lease AFLL BA.**Acreage:** 2**NOAA Chart:** 13290