



Informational Brief: Relating to Mandeville Oyster Farm Application (site 2) in Eastern Quonochontaug Pond

Applicant David Mandeville has filed an application for a site near the Shady Harbor/ Shelter Harbor beach parking along the Weekapaug beach. This application seems to have many inaccuracies both on the part of the applicant and the state. The proposed site appears to be largely within the shellfish spawner sanctuary and it appears to be in water that is quite shallow at low tide. Like Mandeville plot #1, rack and bag structure is proposed. It seems likely that such gear would be visible on a fairly frequent basis. This

is a site that is heavily used by recreational paddlers, sailors and clammers. Gear just under the surface could be hazardous to paddlers. It seems any lease in this area would either violate the spawner sanctuary, or displace clammers and sailors who have used this location for generations. This proposed plot is situated within the town of Westerly, there will be a hearing on January 6, 2015 at 2pm. See the SPC Calendar Page for more details.

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