

Legals

Posted September 21, 2018

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE

MAINE WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE/MAINE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Please take note that, pursuant to 38 MRSA, Sections 413 and 414-A, Nordic Aquafarms intends to file a wastewater discharge permit application with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). This application is for the discharge of up to 7.7 million gallons per day of wastewater from land based aquaculture to Penobscot Bay in Belfast, Maine. The application will be filed on or about October 19, 2018 and will be available for public inspection at DEP's Augusta office during normal business hours. A copy may also be seen at the municipal offices in Belfast, Maine.

Please take note that, pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Department of Environmental Protection Rules, Nordic Aquafarms intends to hold a Public Informational Meeting on October 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Troy A. Howard Middle School, 173 Lincolnville Ave, Belfast, ME 04915. The applicant will inform the public of the project and its anticipated environmental impacts, along with information about opportunities for public comments on the project.

A request for public hearing or request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the DEP, in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found acceptable for processing, or 30 days from the date of this notice, whichever is longer. Requests shall state the nature of the issue(s) to be raised. Unless otherwise provided by law, a hearing is discretionary and may be held if the Commissioner or the Board finds significant public interest or there is conflicting technical information.

During the time specified above, persons wishing to receive copies of draft permits and supporting documents, when available, may request them from DEP. Persons receiving a draft permit shall have 30 days in which to submit comments or to request a public hearing on the draft.

Public comment will be accepted until a final administrative action is taken to approve, approve with conditions or deny this application. Written public comments or requests for information may be made to the Division of Water Quality Management, Department of Environmental Protection, State House Station #17, Augusta, ME 043330017. Telephone: (207) 287-3901.

Sept. 21, 2018