

SHELLFISH ADVISORY PANEL

**Virtual public meeting
Zoom webinar**

December 16, 2020



AGENDA



1. Aquaculture application 2020-07-068 (Jordan Viera).
2. Aquaculture application 2020-08-001 (Antonio and Joseph Pinheiro).
3. Proposal to the SAP for additional involvement during the aquaculture application Preliminary Determination review process.
4. Any other matters.
5. Adjourn.

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Council/SAP Aquaculture Application Review (R.I. Gen Laws § 20-10-5(d))



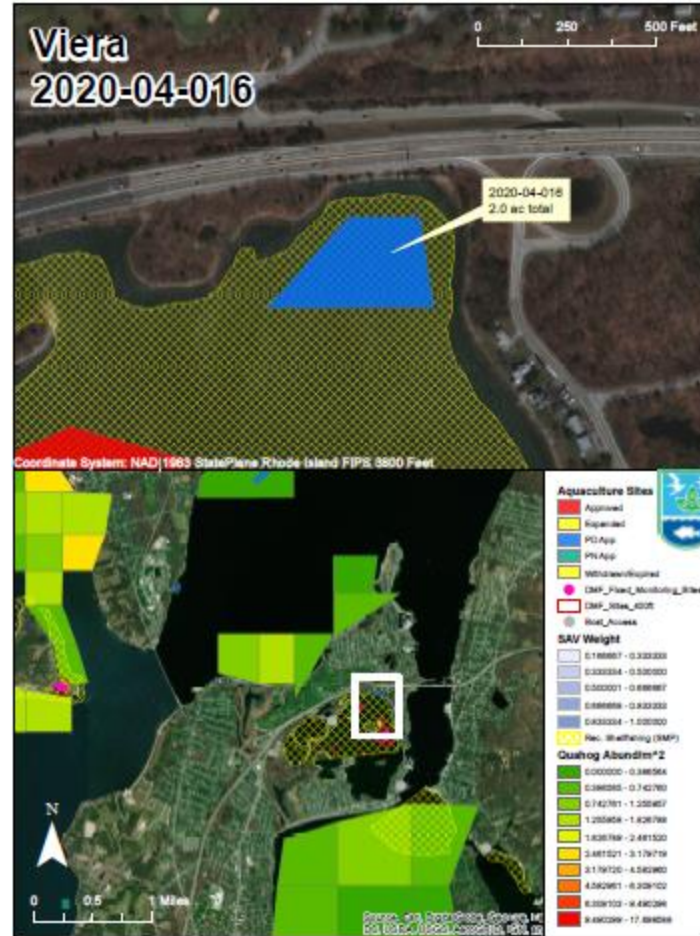
§ 20-10-5. Procedures for approval.

- (a) Upon submission of a completed application to the CRMC, the CRMC shall notify the director, the MFC and any other parties that the CRMC may by regulation designate.
- (b) No application shall be approved by the CRMC or a permit granted prior to the consideration of recommendations by both the director and the MFC.
- (c) The director shall review the application to determine whether the aquaculture activities proposed in the application are:
 - (1) Not likely to cause an adverse effect on the marine life adjacent to the area to be subject to the permit and the waters of the state;
 - (2) Not likely to have an adverse effect on the continued vitality of indigenous fisheries of the state.
- (d) The MFC shall review the application to determine whether the aquaculture activities proposed in the application are consistent with competing uses engaged in the exploitation of the marine fisheries.
- (e) The approval by the CRMC shall be subject to any public hearings, consistent with chapter 35 of title 42, that it may require.



1. 2020-07-068 Jordan Viera, Long Neck Cove (Portsmouth)

- 2-acre site for oysters and quahogs
- Bottom cages and direct bottom plant.
- CRMC site assessment found mostly soft mud bottom with hard bottom around edges and 2.0 quahogs/m²



2020-07-068 Jordan Viera, Long Neck Cove (Portsmouth)



Motion: to recommend to CRMC that the aquaculture activities proposed in the application is consistent with competing uses engaged in the exploitation of marine fisheries. The SAP has concerns about the number of aquaculture leases within Long Neck Cove and would caution against additional leases.

Motion made by: MM

Motion 2nd by: JM

Yea: JM, DG, ET, JG, RT, MM, GS, KM

Nay:

Abstain:

2. 2020-08-001 Pinheiro, Dutch Harbor

- Proposed 0.57-acre site expansion for bottom planting of oysters, quahogs and soft shell clams
- CRMC site assessment found mostly sand and sand/rock bottom with 6.4 quahogs/m²

Transect 1: 5 quahogs (including 1 <1"); 3 oysters

Transect 2: 8 quahogs; 1 oyster

Transect 3: 7 quahogs; 1 oyster

Transect 4: 6 quahogs (including 1 <1")

Transect 5: 6 quahogs (including 1 <1")



2020-08-001 Pinheiro, Dutch Harbor



Motion: to recommend to CRMC that the aquaculture activities proposed in the application is not consistent with competing uses engaged in the exploitation of marine fisheries.

Motion made by: MM

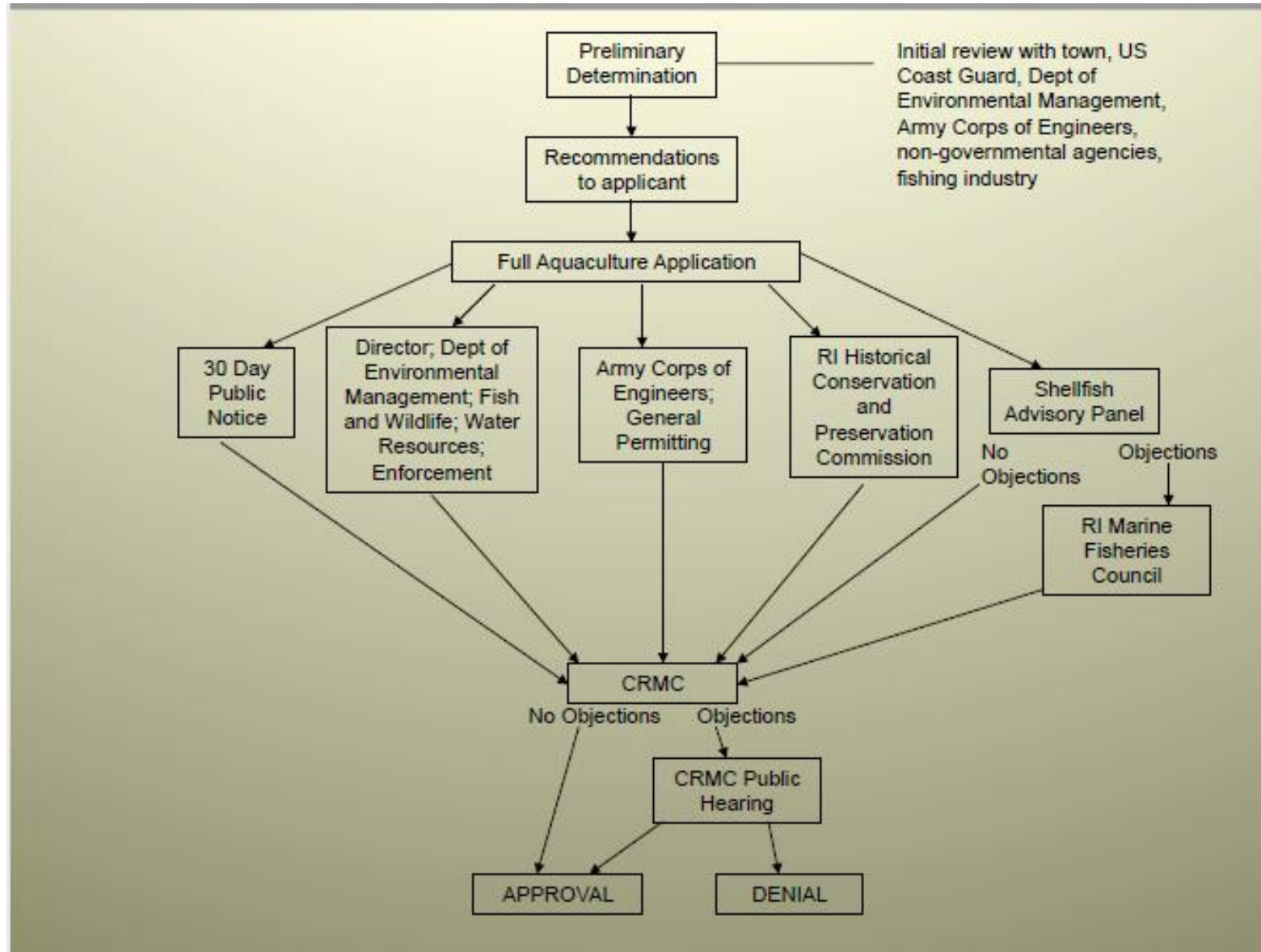
Motion 2nd by: GS

Yea: KM, JM, DG, ET, RT, MM, GS

Nay:

Abstain: JG

3. Aquaculture Application Review Process





4. Any Other Matters?



4. Adjourn