



**Alabama State Lands Division  
Shellfish Aquaculture Easement Application**

**Applicant Name:**

**Title:**

**Business Name:**

**Mailing Address:**

**Physical Address:**

(If different from mailing address)

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Attach separate sheet(s) if necessary and submit to the contact listed below.

**1. Detailed statement describing the proposed activities, including the design, site plan, and description of all operations**

**2. Gear type (include description, diagrams, and specifications)**

**3. List of all shellfish species to be cultivated (common and scientific name)**

**4. Expected density and annual harvest rates (specify units)**

5. Activities will be:  Research Oriented  
or  
 Commercial

6. Location Information

County:  Water body: \_\_\_\_\_

Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_

Riparian Shellfish Aquaculture Easement

Non-Riparian Shellfish Aquaculture Easement

Approximate parcel boundary (riparian easements):

Approximate site acreage:  Minimum Rate = \$250/acre

Vicinity map attached.

7. Provide a statement of applicant's experience and capabilities to conduct the proposed activities.

8. In the case of riparian easements, provide satisfactory evidence of sufficient upland interest (attach a deed, lease and/or easement).

Deed  Lease  Not applicable:

9. Provide a list of the names and addresses, as shown on the latest county tax assessment roll, of each owner of property adjoining the parcel sought, prepare from current records of the county property appraiser.

10. Provide a statement describing the potential impacts of the proposed use on fish and wildlife habitats, including: existing shellfish beds, wetlands, submerged aquatic vegetation, and other submerged resources.

11. Provide a statement explaining why the easement is in the public interest, or at a minimum, not contrary to the public interest, including potential impacts to public access for boating, swimming, fishing and similar activities and potential hazards to navigation.

**12. Applications for easements that include docks or other aquaculture-related structures connected to upland which require use of the water column shall include a detailed and dimensioned site plan drawing showing:**

- a. Approximate mean or ordinary high water line;**
- b. Location of wetland, shoreline and aquatic vegetation and other submerged resources;**
- c. Location of the proposed structures and any existing structures;**
- d. Location of intake and discharge pipelines, pumps, culture units, and tanks;**
- e. Applicant's upland parcel property lines and zoning restrictions; and**
- f. Location of the nearest natural or artificial navigation channel.**

**13. Site Survey and Plan**

**a. Preliminary site approval can be based upon a site plan depicting the general configuration of the parcel sought, including the acreage of the parcel, latitude and longitude coordinates for the corners of the parcel identified using a Global Position System on a topographic map or a navigation chart.**

**b. After receiving preliminary site approval, submit two prints of a survey of the easement area, including GPS coordinates of area corners, which shall constitute the field survey. The accompanying legal description and acreage shall be submitted subsequent to final approval of the application but prior to issuance of the easement of the parcel sought. Such a survey shall be prepared, signed, and sealed by a person properly licensed by the State of Alabama as a professional land surveyor, or an agent of the federal government authorized to do such surveys under federal law.**

## **NOTICE**

**The States Lands Division relies on the information provided by the applicant in making its determination for a preliminary approval. A preliminary approval is issued if the Lands Division determines the information provided appears to meet the requirements set forth in 220-4-.17. The State Lands Division does not warrant nor guarantee the applicant's ownership or interest in the upland property. The State Lands Division reserves the right to rescind any approval if it later determines or evidence is presented or a judicial determination is made that the applicant does not possess a sufficient upland interest or otherwise meet the requirements in 220-4-.17. If an Easement is subsequently issued, the applicant understands that the State Lands Division does not make any representations or warranties of any kind with respect to the condition or value of the Easement Premises or its fitness, suitability or acceptability for any particular use or purpose. By signing the application below, the applicant understands and agrees that any improvements or expenditures made in connection with any approval provided by the State Lands Division are made at the applicant's own risk and that under no circumstances will the State Lands Division, its agents, officers or employees, be responsible for any costs or alleged damages associated herewith.**

**The undersigned hereby represents that they are the legal owner(s)/leasee of real property located in [ ] County, Alabama and that the property is located immediately adjacent to and abuts public waters and the undersigned has legal riparian rights associated with the upland property.**

**By signing below, I certify that all of the above information I have given on this application is complete and correct.**

Signature

Date

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**PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO:**

[jeremiah.kolb@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:jeremiah.kolb@dcnr.alabama.gov)

**OR MAIL TO:**

**Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR)  
State Lands Division  
Attention: Jeremiah Kolb  
31115 Five Rivers Boulevard  
Spanish Fort, Alabama 36527**

**CALL (251) 621-1909 IF ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS FORM. FAX (251)621-1331**