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Carol DiBello, Submerged Lands Coordinator

Dept. of Conservation, Bureau of Parks & Lands

FROM:

Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR PROJECT REVIEW

PROJECT:

Applicant:

James Fanning (dba The Pearl Restaurant)

Location:

Rockland Harbor

Type of Project:

Restaurant Deck Expansion

The above proposed project has been carefully reviewed and considered by DMR personnel.

DMR understands that the applicant is proposing to construct a 10 ft. x 54 ft. addition along the front and seaward of an existing restaurant deck over the subtidal. A 5 ft. x 6 ft. section at the north end of the addition would also be constructed to aid in access to the deck by disabled. Six 12 inch diameter piles would be driven for support.

The proposed project site is located within Rockland Harbor just north of the City Landing. The upland is developed as a parking area. The supratidal is granite block seawall. The intertidal is soft sediment with occasional stone. The subtidal is mud. The permit application describes eelgrass as being "absent". Mussels and rockweed are described as "occasional". There are seasonal float securing piles to the north and south, and to the east of the proposed project site.

This project as proposed should not cause any significant adverse impacts to marine resources, traditional fishing, recreation, navigation, or riparian access.

Brian M. Swan

DMR Environmental Coordinator

Date: May 7, 2012