

TO: **Carol DiBello**, Submerged Lands Coordinator
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FROM: Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROJECT REVIEW,

PROJECT: Applicant: Norman Linebarger & Michele Janin
Location: Stonington (Whitmore Neck, Southeast Harbor)
Type of Project: Pier, Ramp & Floats

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

DMR understands that the applicant is proposing to construct a 5 ft. x 60 ft. pier to extend from the upper intertidal to approximately 28 ft. beyond Mean Low Water (MLW). This would be supported on ledge in the upper intertidal by a 6 ft. x 10 ft. granite block pier and below Mean Low Water (MLW) by a 10 ft. x 12 ft. granite block pier. Both supports would be constructed in "open" fashion. The pier would have an NE - SW orientation with an average deck height of ~ 10 ft. above the intertidal substrate and be accessed from the upland by a 4 ft. x 40 ft. ramp. A 3 ft. x 50 ft. seasonal aluminum ramp would connect to an "L" shaped two section float (8 ft. x 20 ft. and 10 ft. x 14 ft. floats) that would provide ~ 5 ft. of water at MLW according to the permit application. The entire structure would extend 95 ft. beyond MLW. Floats would be secured by Helix anchors (4) and chain. Work would be from a barge.

Upland of the proposed project site is developed with a house. The supratidal is an ~ 10 ft. high ledge bank with soil and trees on top. The upper intertidal is ledge/boulder with abundant rockweed. The mid and lower intertidal is cobble/gravel with less rockweed. The permit application states that eelgrass is "absent". Another pier of similar size and design is visible to the NW.

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

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