

MARINE AQUACULTURE SITE MAPPING PROGRAM

Frequently Asked Questions

This document answers some frequently-asked questions (FAQ) about the New Brunswick MARINE AQUACULTURE SITE MAPPING PROGRAM (MASMP).

How do I log in?

No log in is necessary to view the maps.

What site-specific information can I view?

The information displayed for each aquaculture site includes:

- the aquaculture site number (the file number by which the site is known);
- the status of the site (whether it is under review, approved or vacant);
- the type of aquaculture conducted at the site (mollusk or finfish);
- the water body and county where the site is locate; and the area of the site.

What does "Site Status" mean and what do the site colors mean?

A site may be shown in one of three colors, which denotes its status:

- If a site appears in green, it is an "approved" site. This means that the site has undergone a full application review as per the requirements of the *Aquaculture Act* (or, prior to 1989, a review under the federal *Fisheries Act*) and has been approved.
- If a site appears in yellow, it is "under review". This means that an application has been received for the site and the application is currently being reviewed as per the requirements of the *Aquaculture Act*.
- If a site appears in white, it is "vacant". This means that the land is no longer under lease by an aquaculturist. A new lease may be issued to another party after an application review.
- If a site appears in purple, please contact the Regional Aquaculture Representative for information pertaining to that site.



Any other color should be reported to the Department at the following e-mail address: <u>DAAF-MAAP@gnb.ca</u>

What is mollusk and finfish aquaculture?

Mollusk aquaculture is the cultivation of shellfish (e.g. oysters, mussels...). Finfish aquaculture is the cultivation of fish (e.g. salmon, halibut...).

What does "consolidated" site mean?

A consolidated site pertains to mollusk sites only. If the site information indicates "Consolidated site: yes" it means that the site is one of two or more non-adjacent parcels which are administered under the same lease number. The area information displayed when you select a consolidated site refers to the area of all of the parcels comprising the consolidated site.

How have sites been mapped?

Sites have been mapped according to survey plans, field measurements and information taken from old Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) lease maps (In 1989 the province of New Brunswick commenced leasing aquaculture sites to aquaculturists wishing to conduct aquaculture on Crown Land. Prior to this time aquaculture sites were administered by DFO). In some cases, corrections have been made to old DFO maps to better reflect actual site locations and work continues on these maps on a case-by-case basis.

Please note that while every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information, MASMP maps should not be used as navigational aids.

Who can I contact if I have a comment on a map?

Please contact the Department at the following e-mail address: DAAF-MAAP@gnb.ca

How can I find out more about the application process?

You can find out more about the application process by contacting the Department – Leasing and Licensing Branch at:

Tel: (506) 453-2666

Email: <u>DAAF-MAAP@gnb.ca</u>