Subject: Revisions to DE Admin Code 3801 Shellfish Aquaculture

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Please modify the existing regulations to make it more feasible to start up an oyster farming operation. In our initial discussions we requested the 100,000 planting per acre be lowered, however DNREC did not do so. The amount of equipment and the manpower to keep up with 100,000 oysters when the waters warm and the oyster are in their peak growing phase is extremely difficult to keep up with. We should be allowed to manage our own business models to our specific needs.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jesse Atkinson