Alternative Oyster Culture (AOC) Permitting

All AOC Applicants

- Coastal Use Permit DNR
- USACE Permit
- U.S. Coast Guard CG-2554
- Water Quality Certification DEQ
- Permit Plat LDWF

- Oyster Larvae Import Application
- Seafood Wholesalers License

State Leases

- Quote for Removal from Licensed Contractor
- LDWF Executed Bond Form & Security Bond
Approved AOC Activities
AOC Yearly Harvest Estimate (Sacks)

AOC Combined Yearly Estimated Sack Harvest

(*Trip ticket data is preliminary & sack conversion not official)
Support

- LDWF Website  Commercial Oyster section

- LDWF Oyster Survey will provide an oyster lease plat to help expedite the Coastal use permit and provide guidance for the permitting process.

- LDWF Michael C. Voisin Oyster Hatchery

- LDWF & Sea Grant Partnership: Louisiana Fisheries Forward

- LA Oyster Task Force Aquaculture Subcommittee

- Louisiana Oyster Aquaculture Association

- Triple N Oyster Hatchery
Industry Requested Improvements

• Stream-lining the AOC permitting process & quicker turn around

• Electronic trip ticket system

• Market, promote, and brand Louisiana oysters

• LDWF provide more in-depth technical assistance on AOC

• Improve current lack of seed/larvae sources

• Creation of more Marine Enterprise Zones like Grand Isle Aquaculture Park
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