

MATHEWS – “IN-THE-WATER” AQUACULTURE & MARINE BUSINESS PARK

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Aquaculture Park

◎ Purpose:

- Revive a beleaguered industry
- Encourage increased growing of shellfish (oysters) in a select areas in Mathews County
- Incubate aquaculturists/watermen
- Improve the water quality

Concept?

- ⦿ Industrial Park
- ⦿ Incubator
- ⦿ Farmers Market
- ⦿ Hybrid

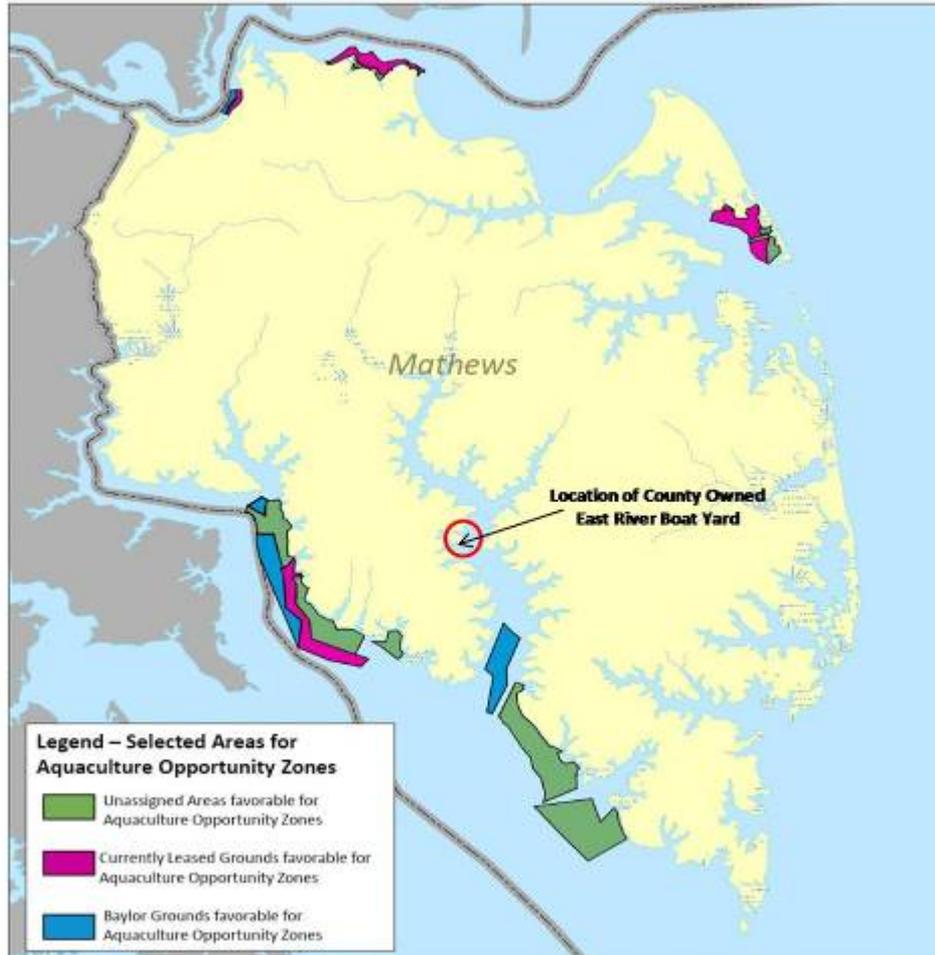
Concept

- VMRC – Local Government Partnership
- “Aquaculture Opportunity Zone” – HB 138
- County leases bottom
- Sublease to watermen
- On-land support facilities
- Support services

Auxiliary Services

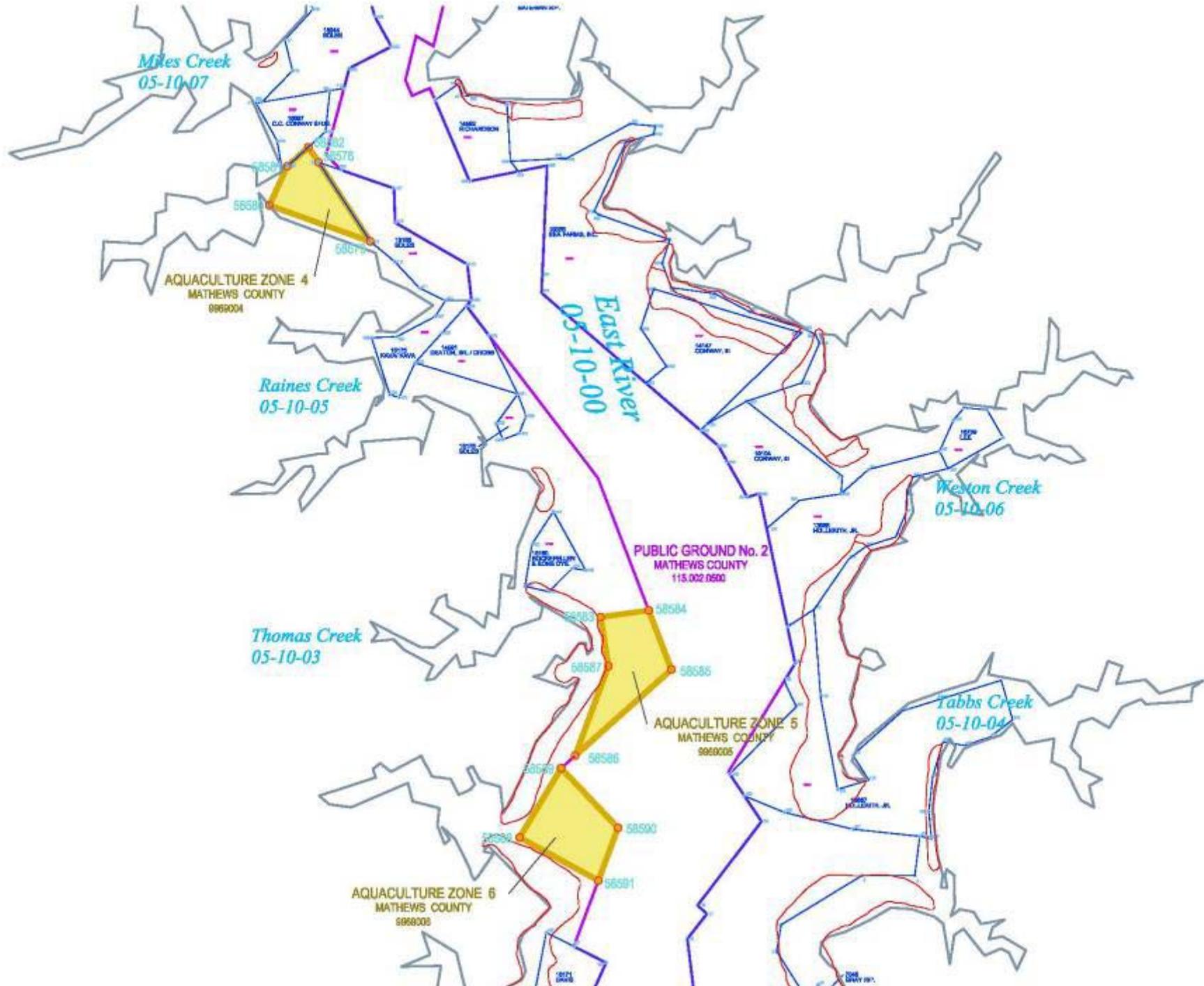
- Water quality revolving oyster program
- Nutrient bank
- Transfer area – cleansing/purging

Potential Locations for the Aquaculture Opportunity Zones as selected by the Aquaculture Steering Committee in Mathews County



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Questions?

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