

### Pender County Public Hearing 1/13/22 - Comments

Date Submitted	First Name	Last Name	State/Province	Please type your comments in the box below:
11/22/2021 14:22	Chris	Mccaffity	North Carolina	<i>Equal areas of Public Shellfish Gardens that are stocked with naturally reproducing native shellfish should be created in close proximity to every public water lease that is used for private production. Please encourage those leasing public waters not to introduce genetically sterilized species into the wild.</i>
12/6/2021 15:25	Michael	Maynard	North Carolina	<i>The company I work with recently acquired an approximately 500-acre tract in Onslow County, which is bound by the Intracoastal Waterway and Batts Mill Creek, and is on the edge of Pender County. The parcel ID is 424600132559. We intend to develop this property as a subdivision and have plans to extend a pier with a 29-slip docking facility off of it. A shellfish lease in this proposed area would result in a significant loss in our property value and a taking our property rights.</i>
1/10/2022 21:20	Allen	Jernigan	North Carolina	I oppose water column and bottom column lease #20-043BL/20-044WC. This lease will restrict shallow water navigation in a small channel that shifts from time to time. I also carry my family here to relax, swim, clam and fish on this sand bar. I frequent this bar with fishing charters also to swim, clam, flounder gig and fish. Once this lease is approved we will no longer access which I feel is in violation of the public trust doctrine.
1/10/2022 21:24	Toni	Jernigan	North Carolina	I oppose water column and bottom column lease #20-043BL/20-044WC. I enjoy spending time outdoors with family at this particular location. if this lease is approved we will no longer be able to access it for recreation or to gather and catch our own shellfish and seafood. I feel that there are other areas better suited than this location.
1/10/2022 21:39	Allen	Jernigan	North Carolina	I oppose lease Number 21-001BL. I frequent this area recreational fishing and it will impede our navigation and fishing. There is also SAV present at this site, not sure how you guys didn't find any grass on the bottom. Once cages were placed on the bottom we will not have 18" of clearance at all tides. This site is also important to kayak fisherman who wade fish that point and bank throughout the warmer months.
1/10/2022 21:42	Toni	Jernigan	North Carolina	I oppose lease Number 21-001BL. I feel Topsail Sound, the small body of water that it is, is at capacity on oyster leases. I don't feel anymore should be approved for the Banks Channel area at this time.
1/10/2022 21:51	Allen	Jernigan	North Carolina	I oppose lease numbers 21-016WC 21-015BL I frequent this are year round red drum fishing for fun and with paying customers. I feel that my right to access this area and the general public's right to access this area for recreation is protected under State Law. This lease will also restrict shallow water navigation as we will no longer be able to run across this small bay to access other pockets for fishing and recreation. This just is not right.
1/10/2022 23:48	Rupert	Brown	North Carolina	Please consider not adding any new leases to Pender County. We are being overrun with cages and crap. Thank you
1/11/2022 8:12	Micha	Koszulinski	North Carolina	Leasing water that is supposed to public water is totally ridiculous. This is another right that you are trying to take away from the recreational fisherman. What's next? Leasing the beach in an attempt to stop surf fishing.