



University of Maine
Marine Resources Committee Legislative Briefing
9:45-11 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 26 (Via Zoom)

To follow the presentation from Maine Climate Council Coastal and Marine Working Group Co-Chairs Heather Leslie, Director of the Darling Marine Center & UMaine Associate Professor of Marine Sciences, and Kathleen Leyden, Director, Maine Coastal Program

UMaine and Maine Sea Grant: COVID Response and Supporting the Development of Resilient Local, Regional and State Seafood Systems & Communities (20 min)

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UMaine Lobster Institute: Helping Maine's Lobster Industry Respond to the Pandemic and Plan for the Future and New Markets (10 min)

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UMaine Aquaculture Research Institute & Aquatic Animal Health Lab: Increasing Sustainable Production and Industry Stability (Addressing Disease, New Opportunities and Workforce) (10 min)

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Workforce Development and Solutions-Oriented Research: Maine eDNA Project Update (10 min)

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Update on Newly Launched UMaine MARINE (Marine Aligned Research, Innovation, and Nationally-recognized Education) and Floating Offshore Wind Demonstration Project (15 min)

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Question and Answers With All Presenters (10 minutes)