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## News Release

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### ***CMR Proposes Change to On-Bottom Shellfish Leasing Regulations***

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources (CMR) has proposed a rule change to on-bottom shellfish leasing regulations to provide that each lease application must be accompanied by a bid price per acre in the form of a sealed bid attached to the application. The bid price would be increased from \$1 to at least \$5 per acre.

Public comments on the proposed regulation change will be accepted through April 10, 2011. All comments should be mailed to the Mississippi Department of Marine, Attention: Joe Jewell, Bayview Ave., Biloxi, MS 39530, or emailed to Joe Jewell at [joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov), by 5 p.m. April 10.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov).

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