



Lessons Learned and Looking Ahead in Maryland

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Maryland's Goal

Overarching Goal:

- More oysters in the water

Achieved by:

- Oyster Sanctuary Restoration
- Public Fishery Management and Replenishment
- Aquaculture

Lessons Learned & Factors Influencing

Oyster Sanctuary Restoration

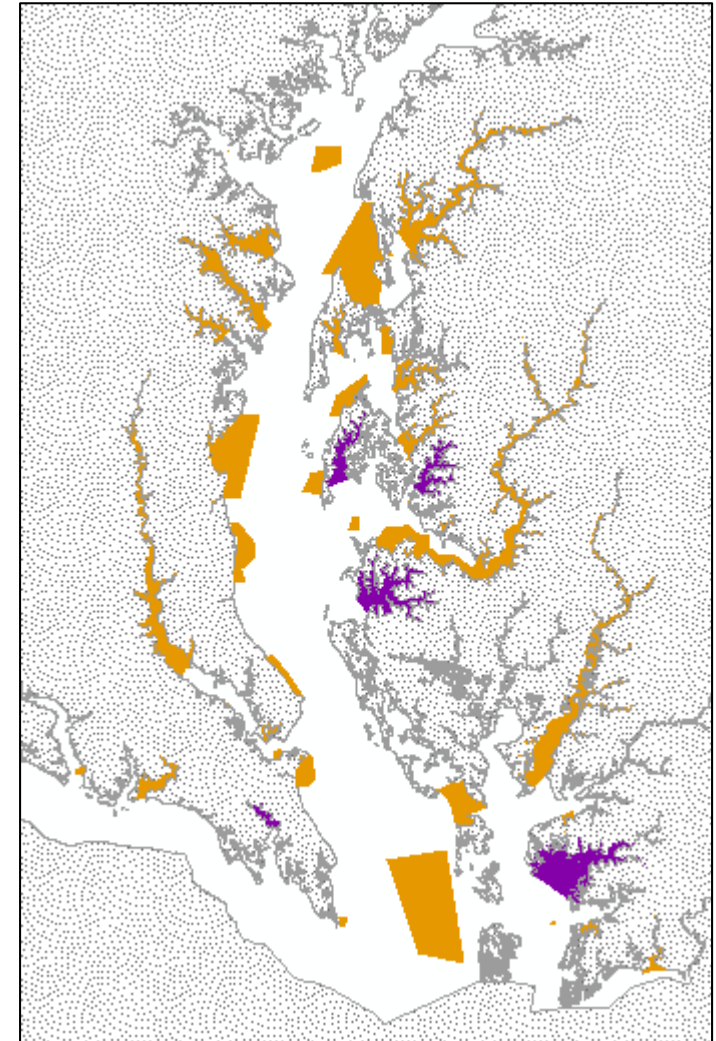
- Let Mother Nature help
- Spread restoration sanctuaries out
- Use of alternative substrate
- All sanctuaries are not created equal

Public Fishery

- Seed areas
- Rotational harvest areas
- Strategic investment

Aquaculture

- Fair bottom allocation among all users





Lessons Learned & Factors Influencing

Communication

- Talking with each other instead at each other
- Science-based evidence: Need to be better at listening, learning, and teaching

Can't compare Virginia to Maryland

Budget

Adaptive Management

- Time is an investment



Looking Forward

Anticipating the 2025 Deadline

Fisheries GIT Support

Beyond 2025