

Tim Carroll

From: Isaiah Scheffer [isaiah_scheffer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 10:14 AM
To: Tim Carroll
Subject: RE: Boat for Oyster Reef Restoration (Tisbury Great Pond)

The boat will be donated from the TNC. It is a 15' Boston Whaler with a 60 HP four stroke engine on the back. We need to get it out of storage on Nantucket. This would be perfect for the short term. There are others in the running so we might not get it. It would be nice.

--- On **Wed, 12/15/10, Tim Carroll** <execsec@chilmarkma.gov> wrote:

From: Tim Carroll <execsec@chilmarkma.gov>
Subject: RE: Boat for Oyster Reef Restoration (Tisbury Great Pond)
To: "Isaiah Scheffer" <isaiah_scheffer@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Warren Doty" <warrendoty@verizon.net>
Date: Wednesday, December 15, 2010, 8:37 AM

Isaiah

Is this owned by Matt or a donor to TNC ? Any other info about the boat?

Tim

From: Isaiah Scheffer [mailto:isaiah_scheffer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 7:39 AM
To: Matthew Pelikan
Cc: Tim Carrol
Subject: Boat for Oyster Reef Restoration (Tisbury Great Pond)

Hi Matthew,

The attached file contains the oyster restoration section of my 2009 Propagation Report for the Town of Chilmark. All of this work was conducted with the use of privately owned boats that were not always available when it was convenient for the Shellfish Department to use them. As grateful as I was for the use of each boat it was clear to me that if propagation efforts were to continue we would need our own boat.

As with many of the Vineyard many of the ponds have limited public access to the shoreline. The use of a boat is necessary to continue the work for years to come. The Town of Chilmark would greatly appreciate your consideration for donation of this boat.

If the Chilmark Shellfish Department was to be the recipient of the boat it would allow us to continue this work in the future.

In addition to the projects outlined in the attached literature we have been helping graduate students at Rutgers University with genetic studies of the oyster population around the

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Vineyard. Some of this work has revealed a dermo resistance in oysters from Edgartown Great Pond. This is very exciting for our work because it could help with future restoration efforts.

We have money available in a Warrent Article for Oyster Restoration that could be used to get the boat from Tuckernuck to Martha's Vineyard.

Thank You

Isaiah L. Scheffer

Shellfish Constable (Town of Chilmark)