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DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
21 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: April 11, 2022

To: Town of Falmouth Municipal Officers and Alan Twombly, Harbormaster
Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the proposal
ME IF&W and DACF
GovDelivery Aquaculture List

From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Completed Aquaculture Application and Comment Period

The DMR has received a completed lease application for the following:

Name of Applicant and Type	Brent Nappi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Experimental <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal (acronym)
Culture Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom culture (No gear)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended culture (Bottom and/or surface gear)
Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine algae <input type="checkbox"/> Finfish <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	South of Clapboard Island, Casco Bay, Falmouth	
Lease Size and Term	4 Acres	3 Years
Comment Submission Deadline	No later than 4:00 p.m. on May 14, 2022	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: The DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional unless DMR receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments or hearing requests by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: To view a copy of the completed application, please visit:
<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html>

CONTACT THE APPLICANT: Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposal. Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

DMR REVIEW: The DMR staff will visit and assess the site in consideration of the legal requirements for aquaculture leases. Other state and federal agencies will also review the

application. If you have questions, or to request a paper copy of the application, please contact:
DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

Relevant Authority: 12 MRSA § 6072-A (5) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.64.



Aquaculture Lease Application - Harbormaster Questionnaire

Date: April 11, 2022

The Department of Marine Resources has received the attached aquaculture lease application. Please review a copy of the proposal and return the questionnaire to DMR by **May 14, 2022**

Completing this questionnaire is optional and is intended to provide the municipality with an opportunity to review the proposal and to provide feedback. The local knowledge you provide about existing uses of the area helps with the review of the proposal. Specifically, the questionnaire may help inform DMR's site visit and site report. It may also be utilized as DMR considers the proposal in consideration of relevant lease decision criteria.

If you have questions about the application, you may contact the applicant. If you have questions about the leasing process, please contact the DMR Aquaculture Division at (207) 624-6573 or DMRaquaculture@maine.gov.

You may email or mail the completed questionnaire to the address below:

Department of Marine Resources
Attn: Aquaculture Division
21 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0021
DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

Received: 03.08.22
Complete: 03.21.22

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EXPERIMENTAL LEASE APPLICATION

1. APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant	BRENT NAPPi	
Contact Person	Brent NAPPi	
Address	1 Shady Lane	
City	Falmouth	
State, Zip	ME, 04105	
County	Cumberland	
Telephone		
Email	BNAPPi@gmail.com	
Payment Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check (included)	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card

2. PROPOSED LEASE SITE INFORMATION

Location of Proposed Lease Site	
Town	Falmouth
Waterbody	Casco Bay
General Description (e.g. south of B Island)	South of Clapboard Island
Lease Information	
Total acreage (4-acre maximum) and lease term (3-year maximum) requested	4 Acres 3 Years
Type of culture (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom (no gear) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended (gear in the water and/or on the bottom) <input type="checkbox"/> Net Pen (finfish)
Is any portion of the proposed lease site above mean low water?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

3. GROWING AREA DESIGNATION

Growing Area Designation (e.g. "WL"):	WI
Growing Area Section (e.g. "A1"):	Inset C (Approved Open)

4. GENERAL LEASE INFORMATION

A. Please complete the table below and add additional rows as needed.

Name of species to be cultivated (include both common and scientific names):	Name and address of the source of seed stock or juveniles	Maximum number (or biomass) of organisms you anticipate on the site at any given time
1. Sugar kelp: <i>Saccharina Latissima</i>	Summit Point LLC 1 Shady Lane Falmouth, ME. 04105	0-19,800 wet lbs. depending on the time of year and growing season.
2. Skinny Kelp: <i>Saccharina Angustissima</i>	Summit Point LLC 1 Shady Lane Falmouth, ME. 04105	0-19,800 wet lbs. depending on the time of year and growing season.
3.		
4.		
5.		

B. Do you intend to possess, transport, or sell whole or roe-on scallops? Yes No

5. VICINITY MAP

See "Vicinity Map" attached- Page 17

6. BOUNDARY DRAWING

See "Boundary Drawing" attached- Page 18

- Coordinate Description: Generated using the aquaculture web map found at the DMR website.

See "Coordinate Description" attached- Page 19

NW: -70.192164
43.709186

NE: -70.191343
43.708468

SW: -70.193634
43.708325

SE: -70.192808
43.707600

7. RESEARCH PROGRAM AND OPERATIONS

A. Type of study (check one): Scientific Research Commercial Research

B. What is the purpose of the study? If scientific, please include a detailed study design.

To determine the viability of a lease design with fewer moorings.

C. Describe the general culture process for each species proposed.

Kelp will be seeded onto horizontal long lines in the fall. The kelp will be checked on a weekly basis throughout the winter to measure its quality and growth. The kelp will be harvested in the spring prior to June 1st.

D. What months will the proposed activities (i.e. seeding, tending, and harvesting) occur?

November 1st-June 1st

E. How often will you be at the site during seeding and harvesting periods?

Seeding should take no more than a week total. We will not work outside of normal daylight hours except in the event of an emergency.

Harvest should take no more than a week total. We will not work outside of normal daylight hours except in the event of an emergency.

F. How frequently will you visit/tend the site for routine maintenance (i.e. flipping cages, etc.)?

We will check the site, and monitor the kelp, on a weekly basis from Nov 1st-June 1st.

G. Describe the harvesting techniques you will use. If you plan on using a drag, please provide the dimensions.

We harvest using a lobster style boat with mounted reels that hoist the kelp out of the water for harvesting.

H. Describe any overwintering or "off season" plans for the site. For example, will you remove gear from the site and/or deploy gear in different areas within the proposed site? Please include where gear or product will be located if moved from the site.

From June 1st- November 1st only the corner markers, mooring blocks, : *24 mooring line,*
AND 24 mooring balls will remain on site.

All of the removed gear will be stored either on land, or on my commercial float at Clapboard Island.

I. What type of machinery (e.g. generator, drag, grading equipment, etc.) will you be using on the site? When and how often will the machinery be used?

During seeding we will use a small Carolina skiff, or lobster style boat, to plant the kelp.

During grow out we will use a small Carolina skiff, or lobster style boat, to check the lease.

During harvest we will use a small Carolina skiff and lobster boat to harvest the kelp from the lease.

J. Please provide details on any predator control techniques you plan to employ, including the use of bird deterrents. Will you use commercially available or custom equipment? If commercially, available equipment, please include the brand and model names. If custom equipment, please attach a detailed schematic that includes the dimensions, materials, and function of the equipment.

We do not use predator control techniques.

8. EXISTING USES

A. Describe the existing uses of the proposed area in questions A.1 through A.5 below. Please include the a) type b) time of year c) frequency, and d) proximity to the lease site for each existing use.

1. Commercial Fishing

- a. Lobstering
- b. late spring through summer
- c. infrequent
- d. within

2. Recreational Fishing

- a. hook fishing
- b. summer
- c. infrequent
- d. within

3. Boating Activities (please also include the distance to any navigable channel(s) from your proposed site at low water)

- a. sail/pleasure
- b. summer-early fall
- c. moderate
- d. within

4. Ingress and egress (i.e. coming and going) of shorefront property owners within 1,000 feet of the proposal (e.g. docks, moorings, landing boats on shore, etc.)

There is no ingress or egress of shorefront property owners within 1,000 feet of the proposal.

5. Other uses (kayaking, swimming, etc.)

- a. kayaking**
- b. summer**
- c. infrequent**
- d. within**

B. Are there private docks, moorings, or other access points within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease? If yes, please include approximate distance from proposed lease.

No

C. Are there public beaches, parks, or docking facilities within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site. If yes, please describe and include approximate distances from proposed lease.

No

D. Are there any Limited Purpose Aquaculture (LPA) licenses or aquaculture leases within 1,000 feet of your proposed lease site? If yes, please list their acronyms below.

Current and pending aquaculture leases and active LPA licenses may be found here:
<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/index.html>

No

9. CURRENT OPERATIONS

A. Describe your existing aquaculture operations, including the acronyms of all active leases and/or licenses.

NA

B. What are your plans for any existing leases and/or Limited Purposed Aquaculture (LPA) licenses if the lease is granted? Will any existing leases and/or Limited Purpose Aquaculture (LPA) licenses be relinquished if the lease is granted? If so, please indicate which ones.

NA

10. EXCLUSIVE USE

If your lease is granted, what activities would you request be excluded from occurring within the boundaries of the lease site? In your answer please address applicable commercial and recreational fishing, boating activities, and other activities you listed in the 'Existing Uses' section of this application.

NA

11. ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERIZATION

Directions: Using your knowledge of the area, describe the environment of the proposed lease site. Be sure to include units of measurement in your answers (i.e. feet, cm/s).

A. What are the approximate depths at mean low water?

Low water depths are approximately 40-48 feet across the proposal.

B. What are the approximate depths at mean high water?

High water depths are approximately 50-58 feet across the proposal.

C. Provide the approximate current speed and direction during the ebb and flow.

To my best knowledge there is at most approximately 2 knots of tide, which travels in close to a East to West direction

D. The following questions (D.1 through D.6) may be answered in writing or by submitting a video. If you plan to submit a video, please contact the Department prior to video collection.

1. What are the bottom characteristics (mud, sand, gravel, rock, ledge or some mix, etc.)?

Primarily soft mud with a few small patches of gravel

2. Describe the bottom topography (flat, steep rough, etc.).

<p>The bottom is relatively flat across the entire proposal.</p>
<p>3. Describe marine organisms by species or common names. Based on your personal observations or other sources of information, are these species abundant, common, or rare?</p>
<p>From personal observation.</p> <p>Lobsters- rare Skeleton shrimp- abundant Crabs- abundant</p>
<p>4. Are there shellfish beds or fish migration routes in the surrounding area? If so, please describe.</p>
<p>To my best knowledge there are no shellfish beds or fish migration routes at this location.</p>
<p>5. Describe the presence and extent of submerged aquatic vegetation, i.e. eelgrass, within the proposed lease area. Please include the date of this observation along with the method of observation. If submerged aquatic vegetation is observed, please also describe the abundance below and sketch the limits of the beds in the vicinity map.</p>
<p>There is no submerged aquatic vegetation or eelgrass within the proposed lease area based on the 1997-2018 eelgrass mapping layers on the DMR aquaculture web map.</p>
<p>6. Describe the general shoreline and upland characteristics (rocky shoreline, forested, residential, etc.)</p>

The nearest shoreline (over 1,000 feet away) is rocky, and wooded. The south end of clapboard contains one commercially rented property well over 1,000 feet away.

E. Is your proposed lease located within a Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife designated Essential Habitat?

Yes No

F. Will your operations discharge anything into the water such as feed (pellets, kelp, etc.) or chemical additives (therapeutants, chemical treatments, etc.)?

Yes No

12. STRUCTURES

A. See "Overhead View" attached: Page 20
See "Key for Overhead View" attached: Page 21

See "Overhead View-Seasonal Changes" attached: Page 22
See "Key for Overhead View-Seasonal Changes" attached: Page 23

B. See "Cross-Section View" attached: Page 24-25
See "Key for Cross-Section View" attached: Page 26

See "Cross-Section View- Seasonal Changes" attached: Page 27-28
See "Key for Cross-Section View- Seasonal Changes" attached: Page 29

C) Gear Description

Directions: List and describe each individual gear type that you will use in the table below.

Specific Gear Type <i>(e.g. soft mesh bag)</i>	Dimensions <i>(e.g. 16"x20"x2")</i>	Time of year gear will be deployed <i>(e.g. Spring, Winter, etc.)</i>	Maximum amount of this gear type that will be deployed on the site <i>(i.e. 200 cages, 100 lantern nets, etc.)</i>	Species that will be grown using this gear type
Styrofoam buoys (Depth control buoys)	13"x6"	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	207 buoys	Sugar Kelp Skinny Kelp
Sink rope for depth control buoys	3/8" diameter 7' long	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	207 lengths	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Small cement weight (for depth control buoys)	6" tall 6" wide	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	207 weights	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Long line	7/16" diameter By 300' length	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	6,900 feet of line	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Hard-shell go deep (end of long line marker buoys)	22"x7.25"	Nov 1 st - June 1 st	22 Buoys	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Sink rope for (end of long line marker buoys)	1/2" diameter 7' long	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	22 Lengths	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Bridle Line	1/2" diameter 440' long (two sections)	Nov 1 st -June 1 st	2 Lengths of 440' (880' Total)	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Mooring markers (hard-shell variety)	16" diameter	Year-round	24 buoys	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Mooring Line	1" diameter by varying lengths depending on depth of mooring	Year-round	24 mooring lines	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Mooring (cement block)	2'x2'x4'	Year-round	24 moorings	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp
Mooring Staple	3 links of 1" diameter chain	Year-round	24 staples	Sugar kelp Skinny kelp

D) Gear Drawing

- See "Gear drawing- depth control buoys" attached: page 30
- See "Gear drawing- sink rope for depth control buoys" attached: page 31
- See "Gear drawing- small weight for depth control buoys" attached: page 32
- See "Gear drawing- long line" attached: page 33
- See "Gear drawing- end of long line marker buoy" attached: page 34
- See "Gear drawing- sink rope for end of long line marker buoy" attached: page 35
- See "Gear drawing- bridle line" attached: page 36
- See "Gear drawing- mooring marker" attached: page 37
- See "Gear drawing- mooring line" attached: page 38
- See "Gear drawing- mooring" attached: page 39
- See "Gear drawing- mooring staple" attached: page 40

13. MARKING

Will you be able to mark your site in accordance with DMR regulations, Chapter 2.80? In part, this requires marker buoys which clearly display the lease ID and the words SEA FARM to be located at each corner of the lease.

Yes No

If you answered no, explain why and suggest alternate markings.

14. RIPARIAN LANDOWNERS AND SITE ACCESS

A. Will your access to the lease area be across riparian land?

Yes No

B. How will you access the proposed site?

Falmouth Town Landing

RIPARIAN LANDOWNER LIST

THIS LIST MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE TOWN CLERK

On this list, please include the map number, lot number, and the current owners' names and mailing addresses for all shorefront parcels within 1,000 feet of the lease site. It is the applicant's responsibility to assemble the information for the Town Clerk to certify. The Town Clerk only certifies that the information is correct according to the Town's records. Once you have completed the form, ask the Town Clerk to complete the certification section below. If riparian parcels are located within more than one municipality, provide a separate, tax map and certified riparian list for each municipality.

TOWN OF: NA

MAP #	LOT #	Landowner name(s) and address(es)
		<u>NA</u>

Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach hereto.

CERTIFICATION

I, NA, Town Clerk for the Town of NA certify that the names and addresses of the property owners listed above, as well as the map and lot numbers, are those listed in the records of this municipality and are current as of this date.

SIGNED: NA DATE: NA

15. ESCROW ACCOUNT OR PERFORMANCE BOND

Check Here	Lease Category	Amount of Required Escrow or Performance Bond
<input type="checkbox"/>	No gear/structure, no discharge	None
<input type="checkbox"/>	No gear/structure, discharge	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	≤ 400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge	\$1,500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	>400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge	\$5,000.00*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gear/Structure, discharge	\$25,000.00

*DMR may increase the bond/escrow requirements for leases with more than 2,000 feet of structure.

I, (printed name of applicant) BRENT NAPPI have read DMR Aquaculture Regulations 2.64(12)(B)) and if this proposed lease is granted by DMR I will either open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond, depending on the category of lease.

Brent Nappi
 Applicant Signature
 Note: Add title if signing on behalf of a corporate applicant.

1/5/22
 Date

16. APPLICANT SIGNATURE PAGE

I hereby state that the information included in this application is true and correct. I have also read and understand the requirements of the Department's rules governing aquaculture and the application instructions pertaining to the experimental lease process.

Printed name: BRENT NAPPI

Title (if corporate applicant): NA

Signature: Brent Nappi Date: 1/5/22

18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both.

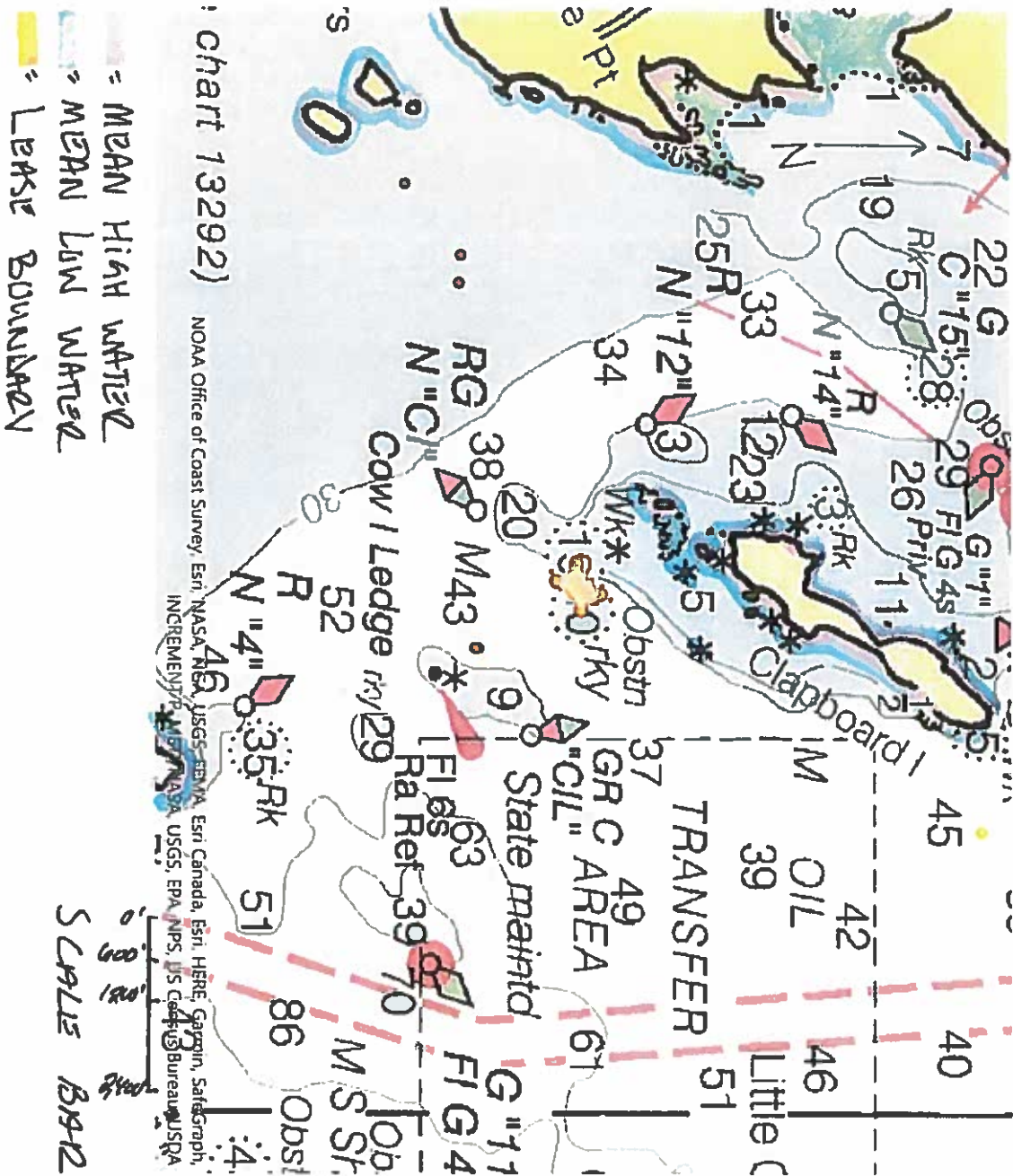
1. Does the municipality, where the proposed site is located, have a shellfish conservation program? Yes No

If you answered yes, please attach documentation from a public meeting demonstrating that a majority of municipal officers have consented to your proposal.

-Proposal is not intertidal. Does not apply.

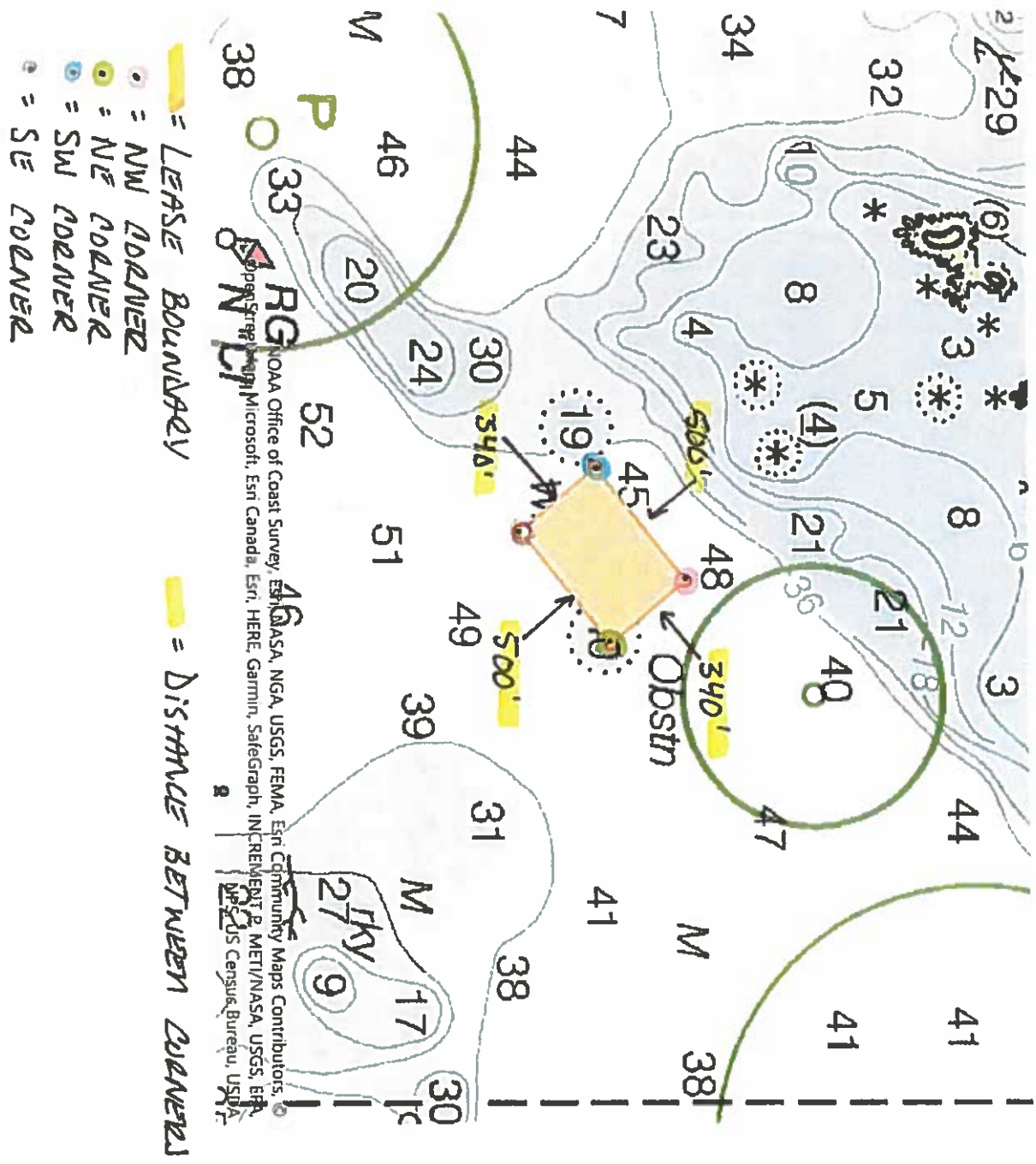
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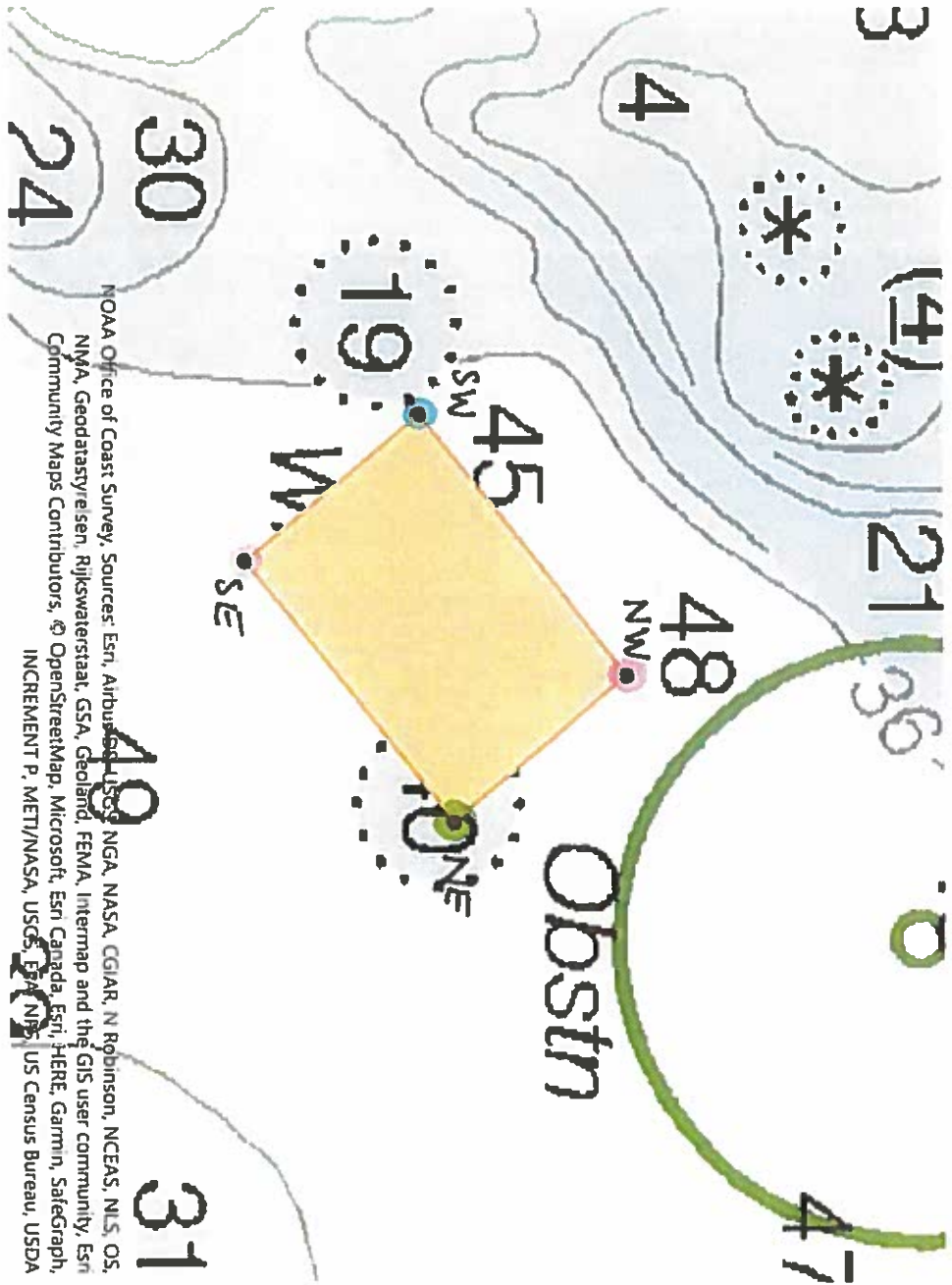
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COORDINATE DESCRIPTION:

FROM QUESTION 6



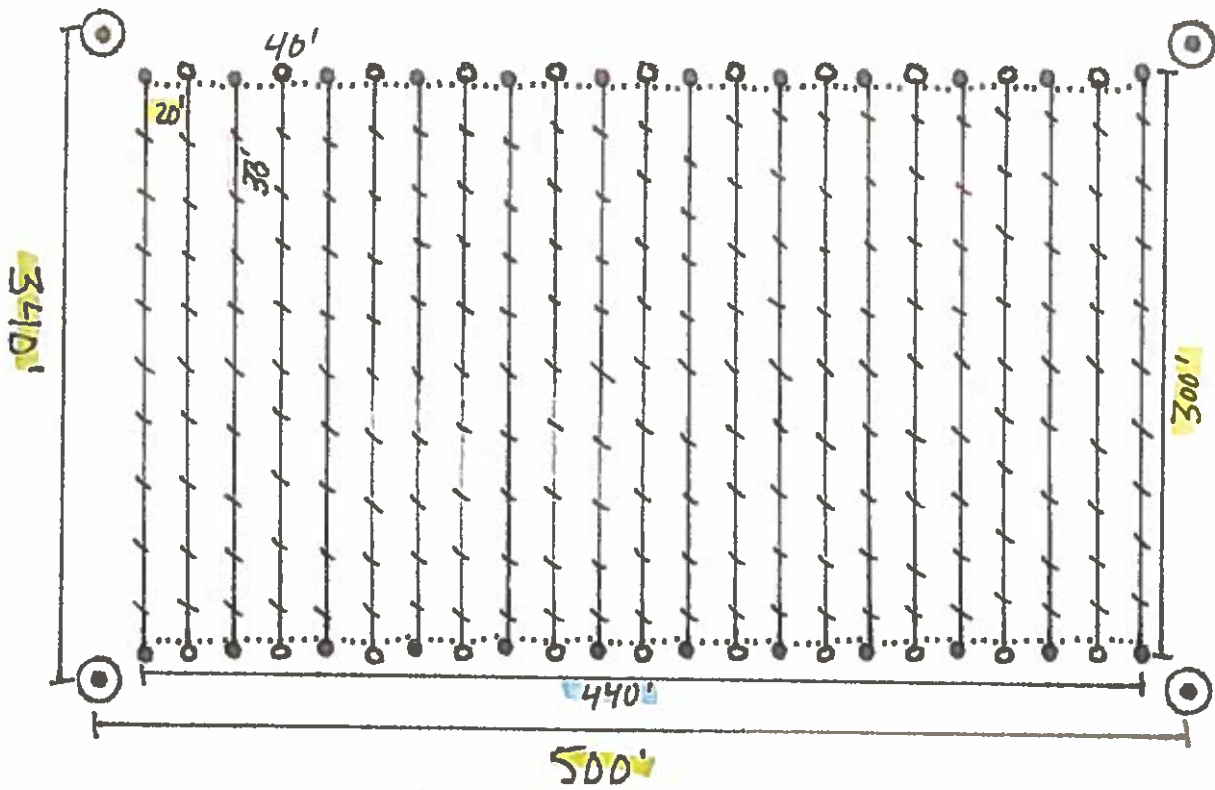
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OVERHEAD VIEW:

NOV 1ST - JUNE 1ST

FRM QUESTION: 12A



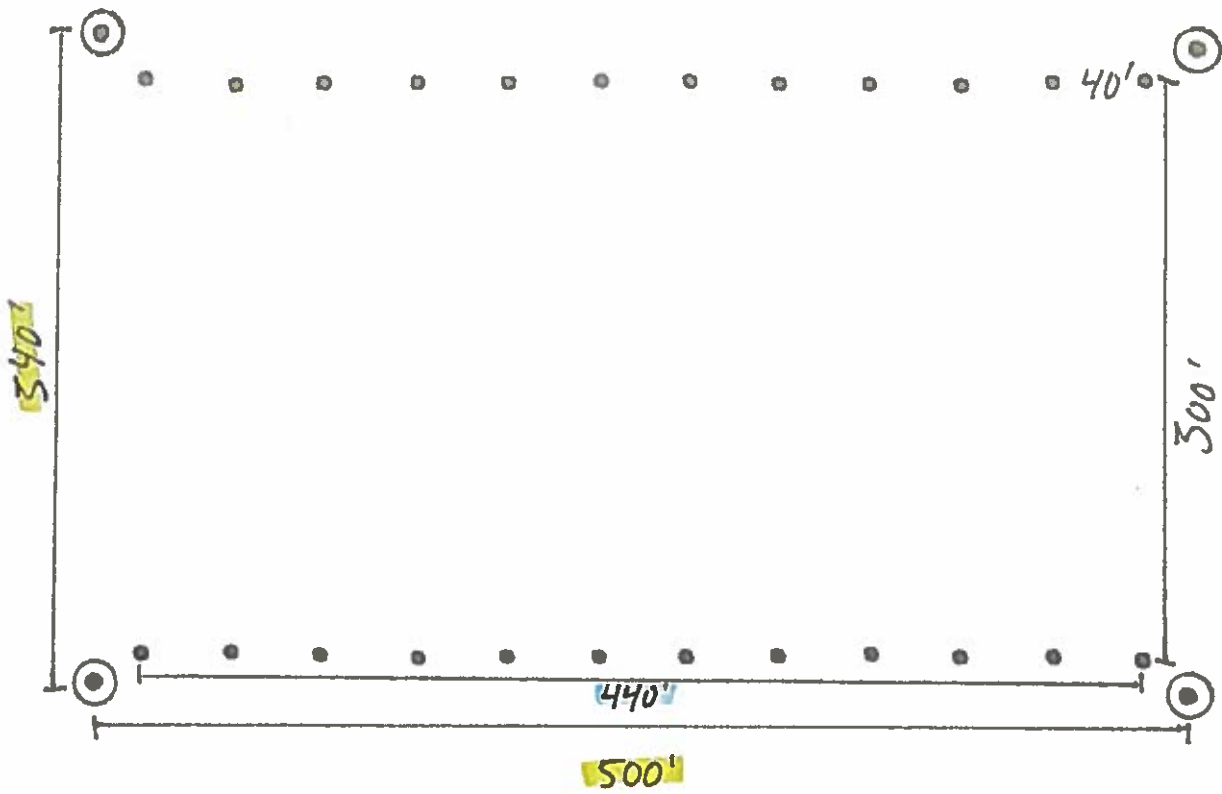
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- ... = BRIDLE LINE (CONNECTING LINES WITH MOORINGS TO LINES WITHOUT MOORINGS)
- = DISTANCE BETWEEN LONG LINES
- = DISTANCE BETWEEN DEPTH CONTROL BUOYS
- = LENGTH OF LONG LINE
- = LENGTH OF MOORING ROW.
- = DISTANCE BETWEEN MOORINGS

OVERHEAD VIEW - SEASONAL CHANGES:

JUNE 1ST - NOV 1ST

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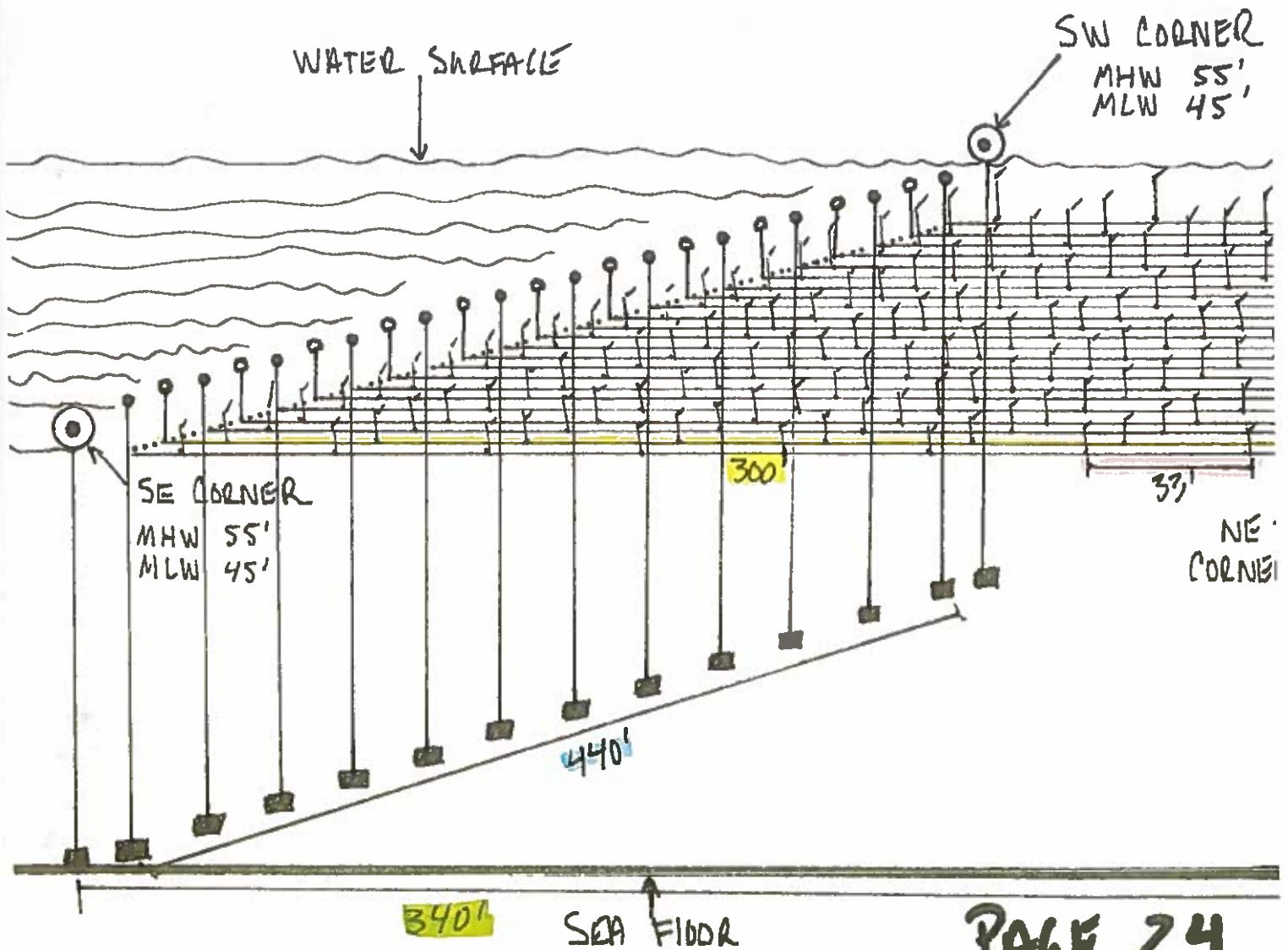
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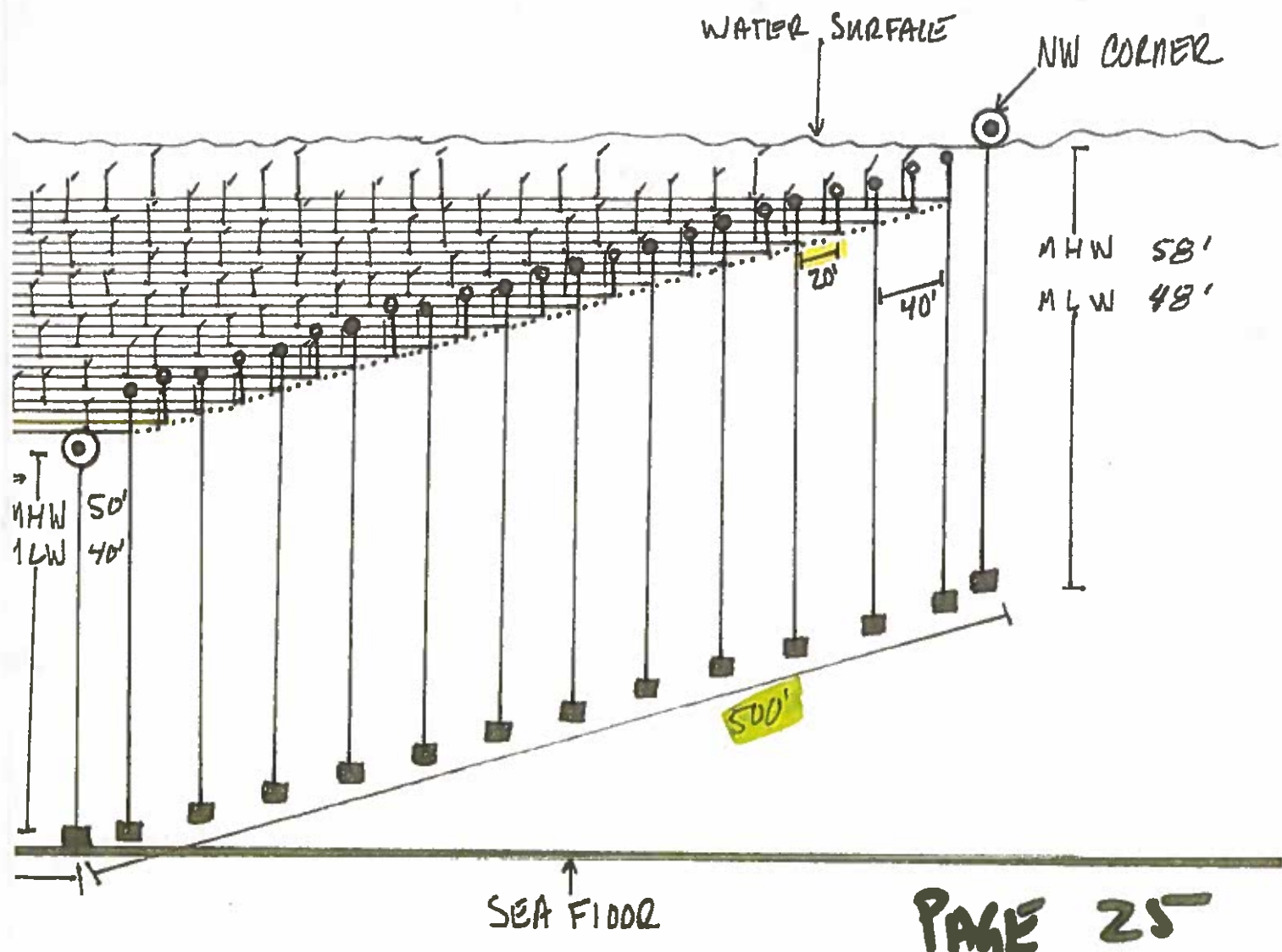
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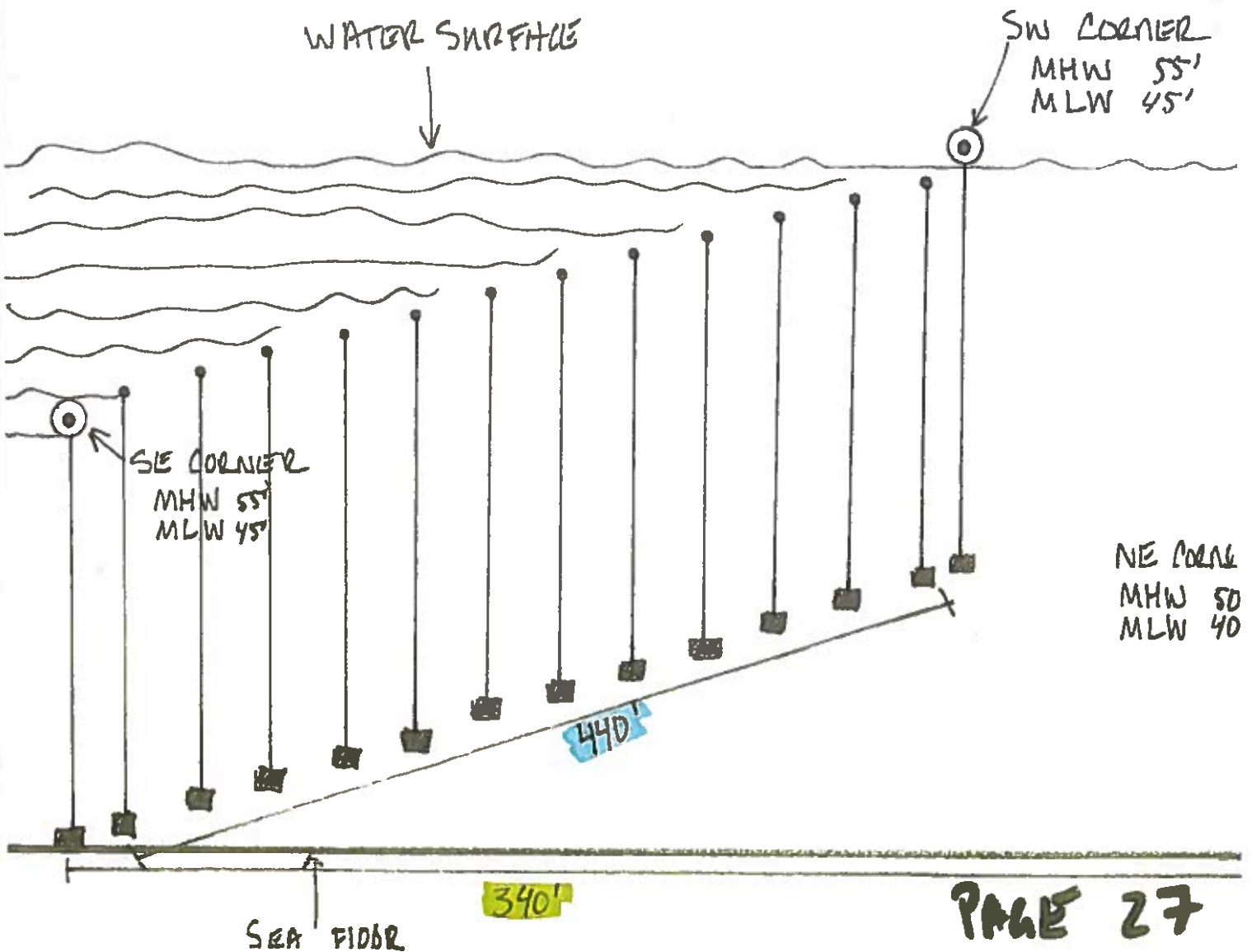
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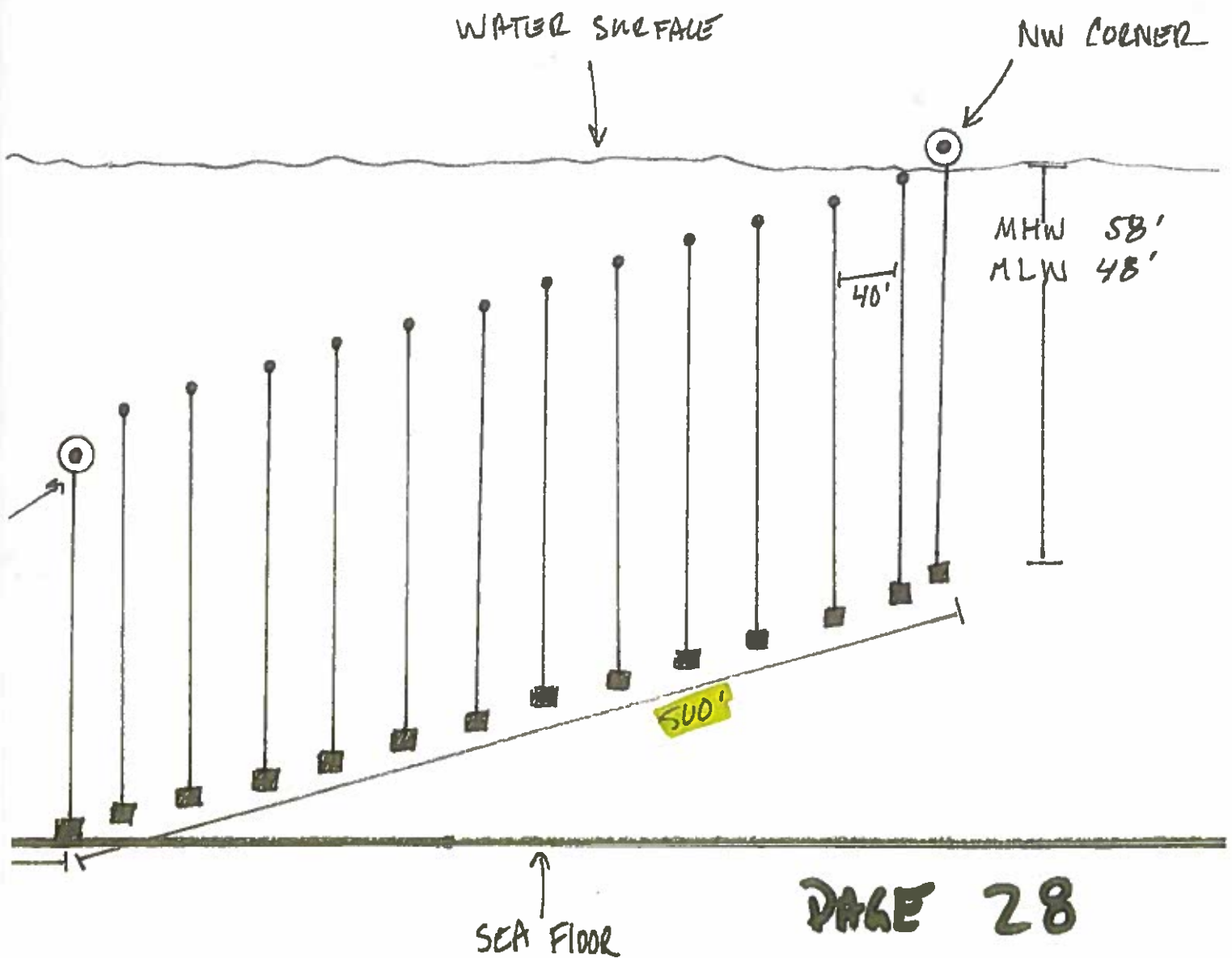
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CROSS-SECTIONAL VIEW - SEASONAL CHANGES:

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JUNE 1st - NOV 1st





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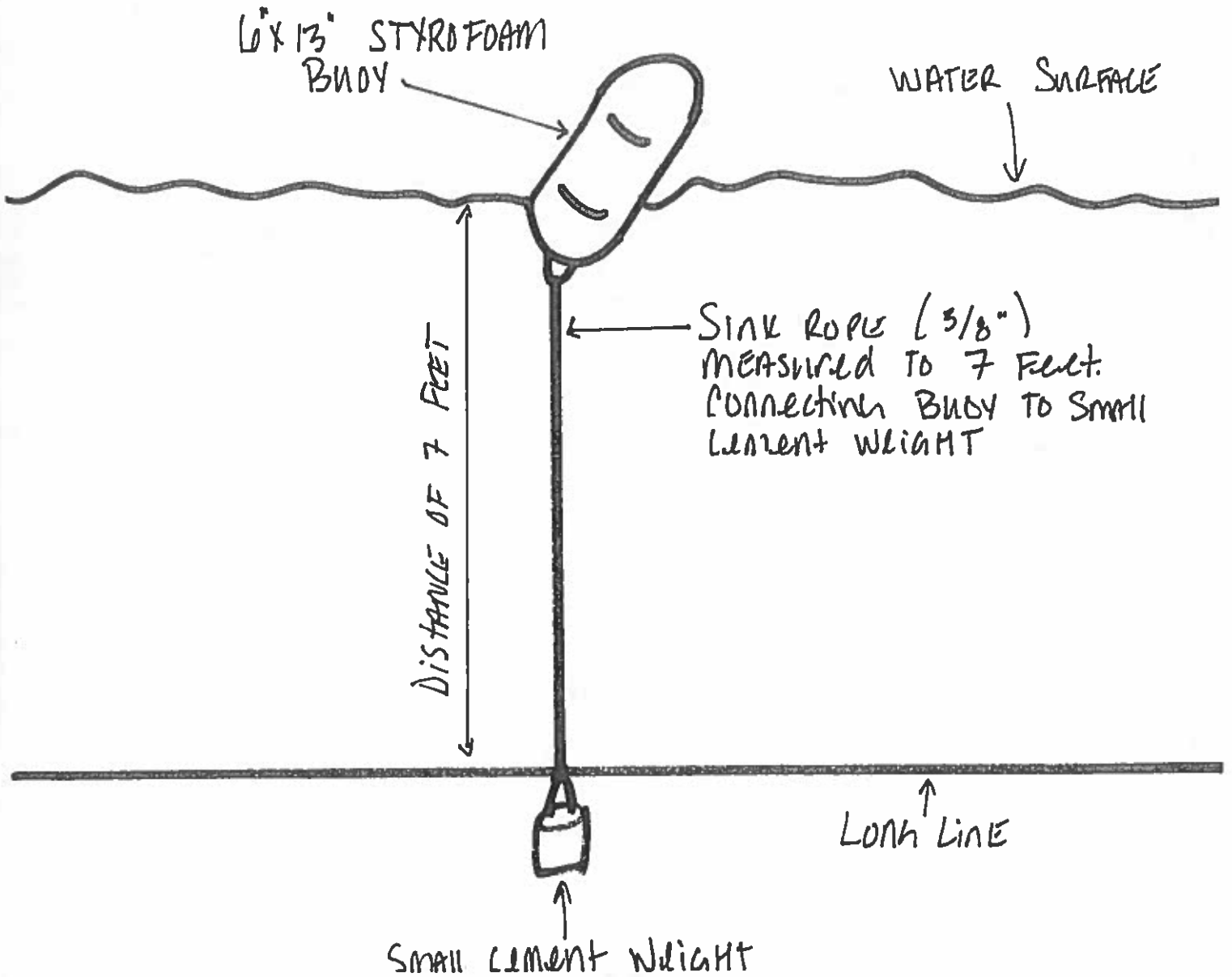
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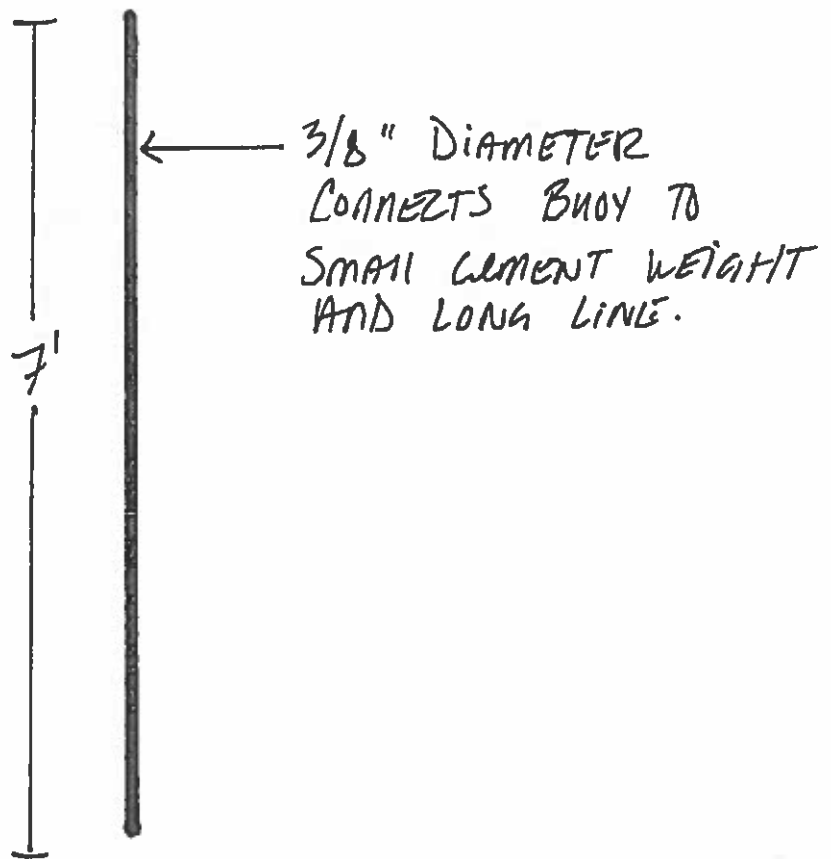
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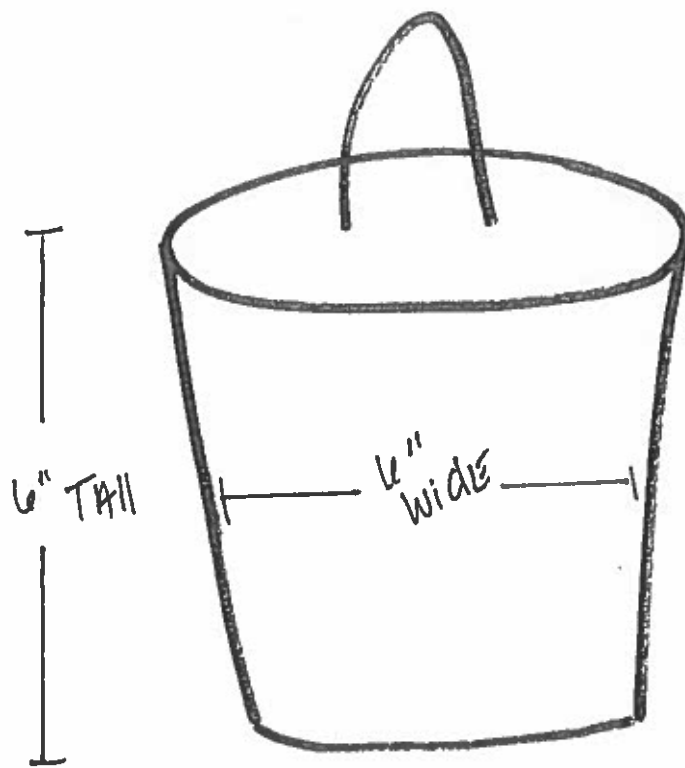
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GEAR DRAWING - SMALL WEIGHT FOR DEPTH CONTROL BUOY:

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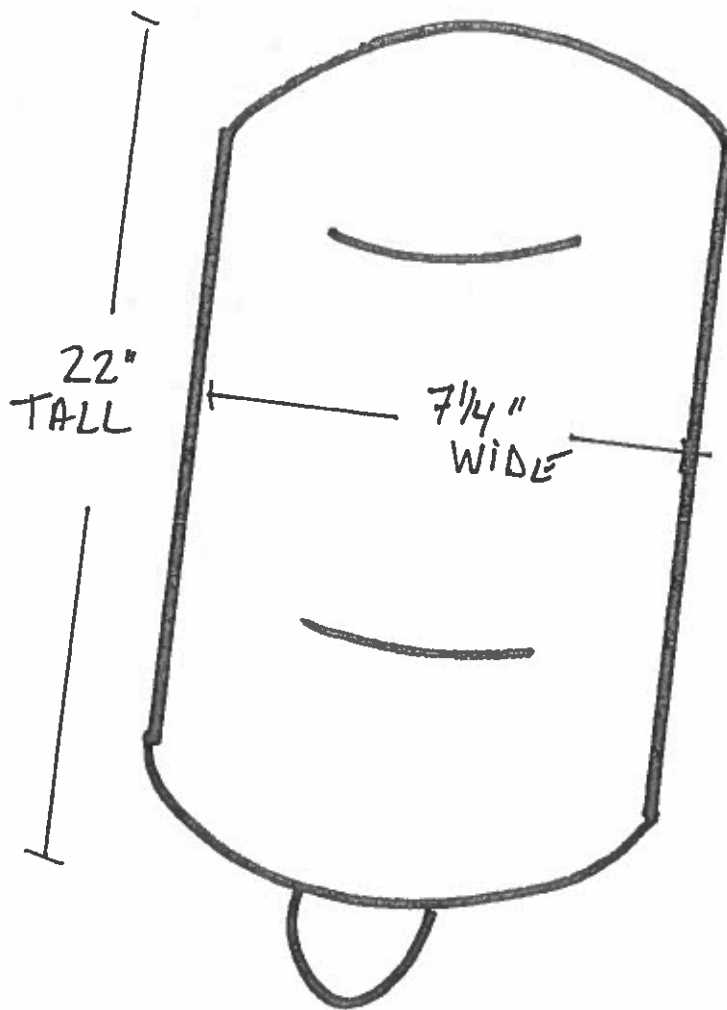
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7/16" DIAMETER
300' = TOTAL LENGTH OF
EACH LONG LINE.

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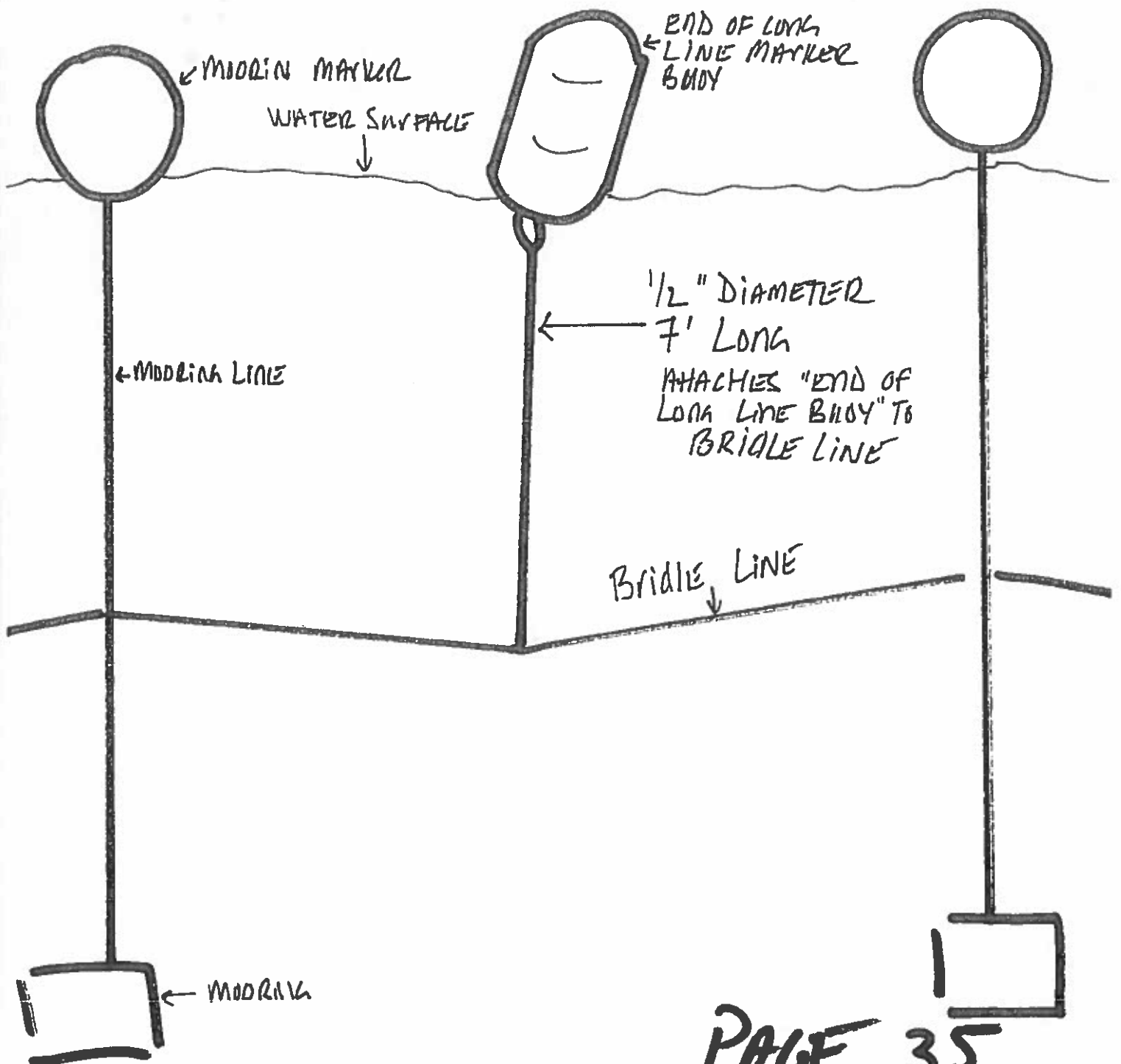
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CLEAR DRAWING - SINK ROPE FOR END OF LONG LINE MARKER BUOY:

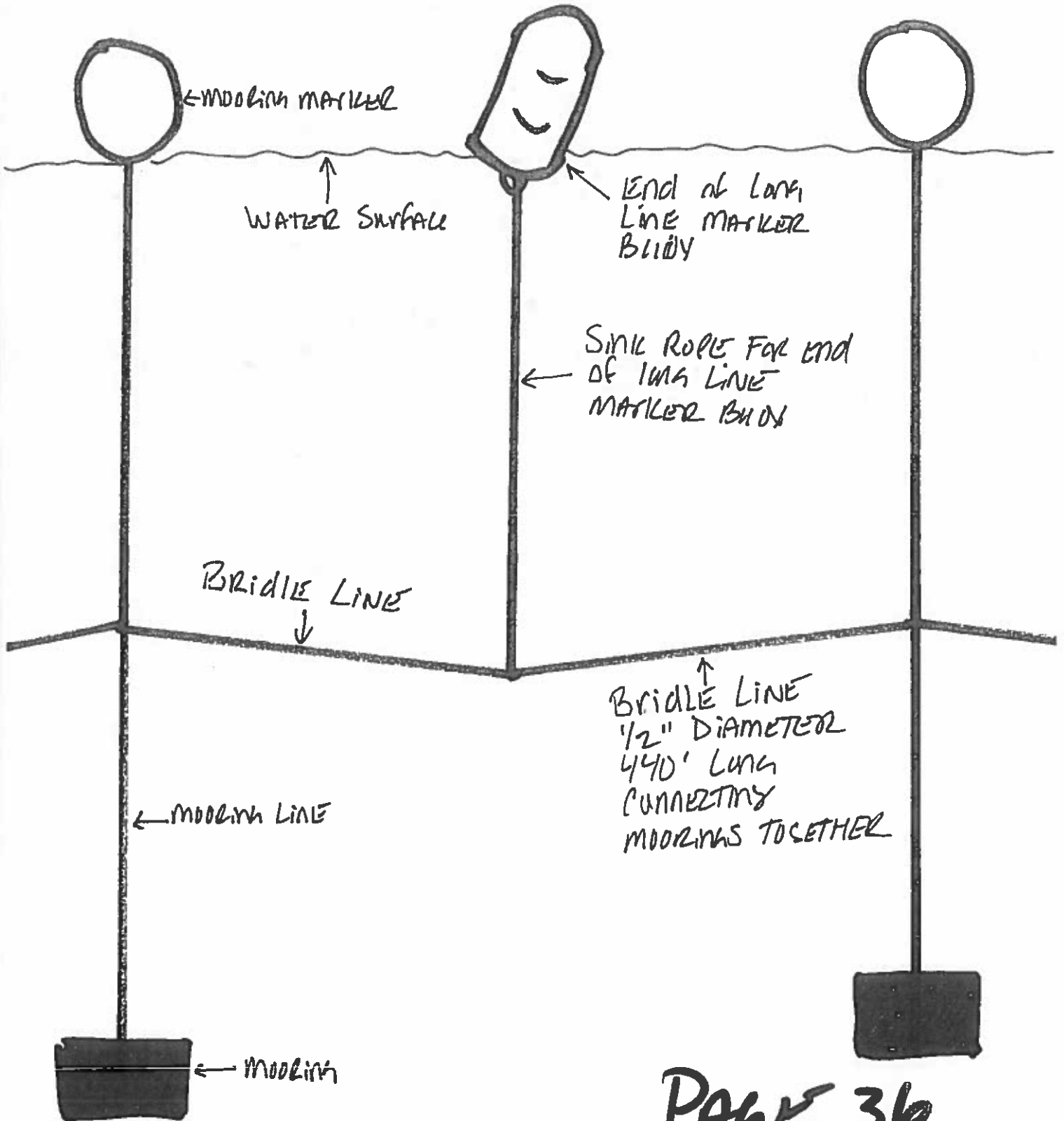
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LEAD DRAWING - BRIDLE LINE

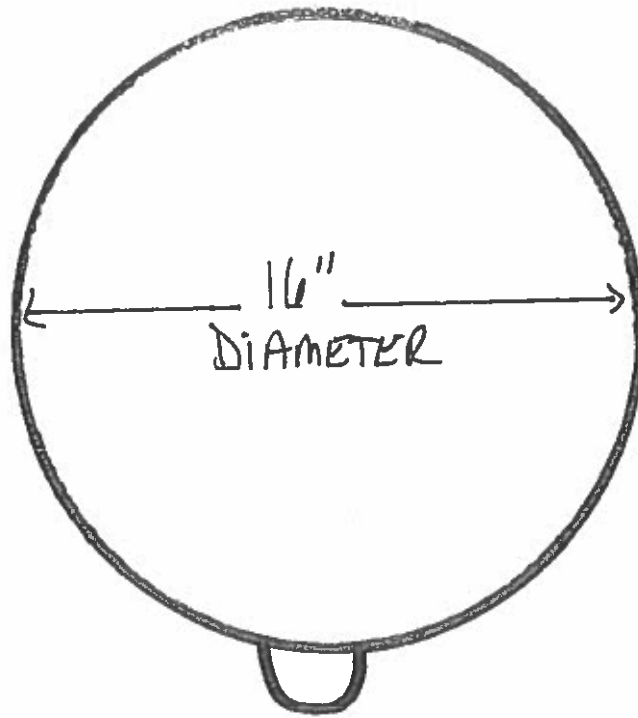
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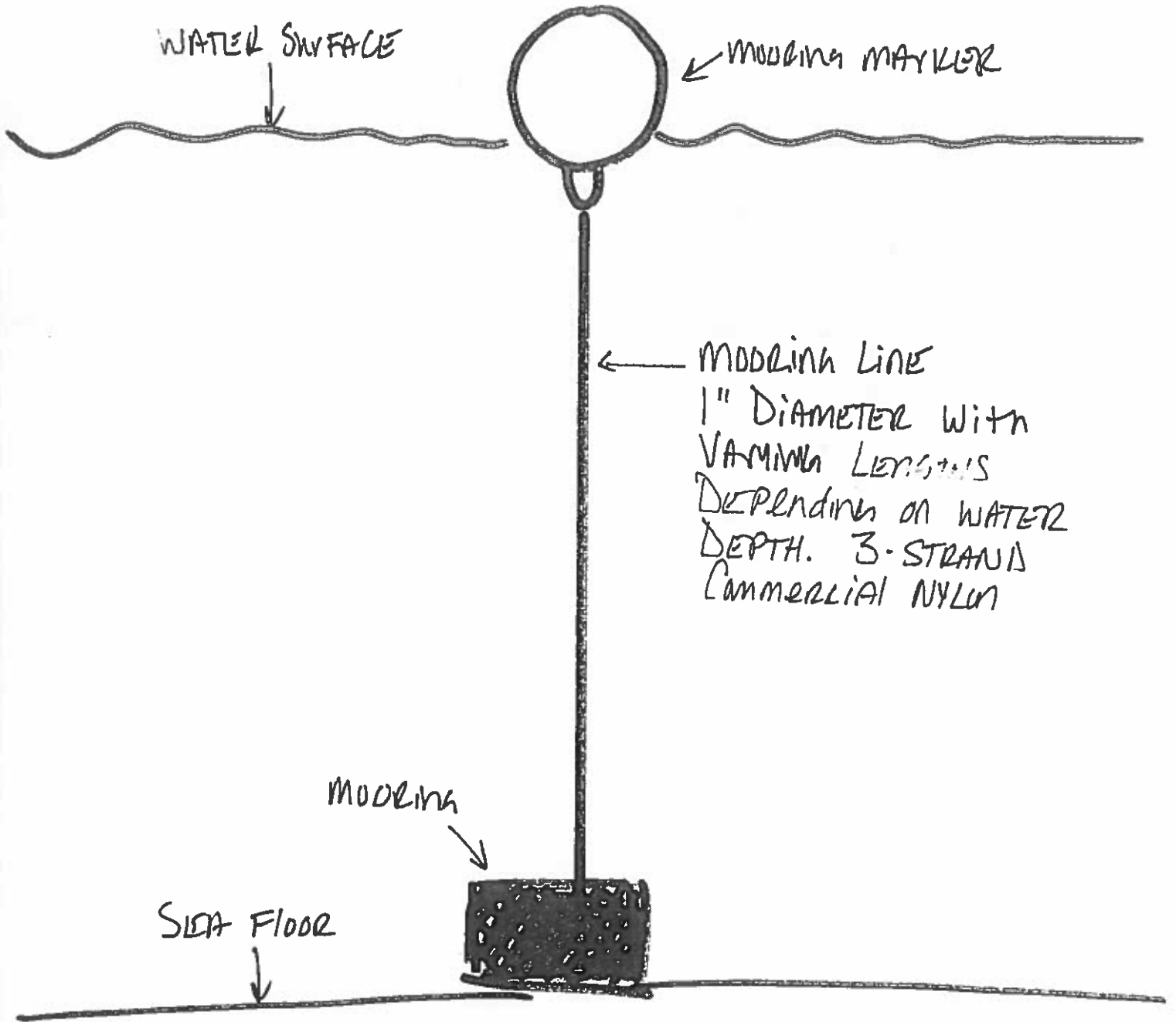
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HARDHELL GO DEEP

LOGAR DRAWING - MOORING LINE:

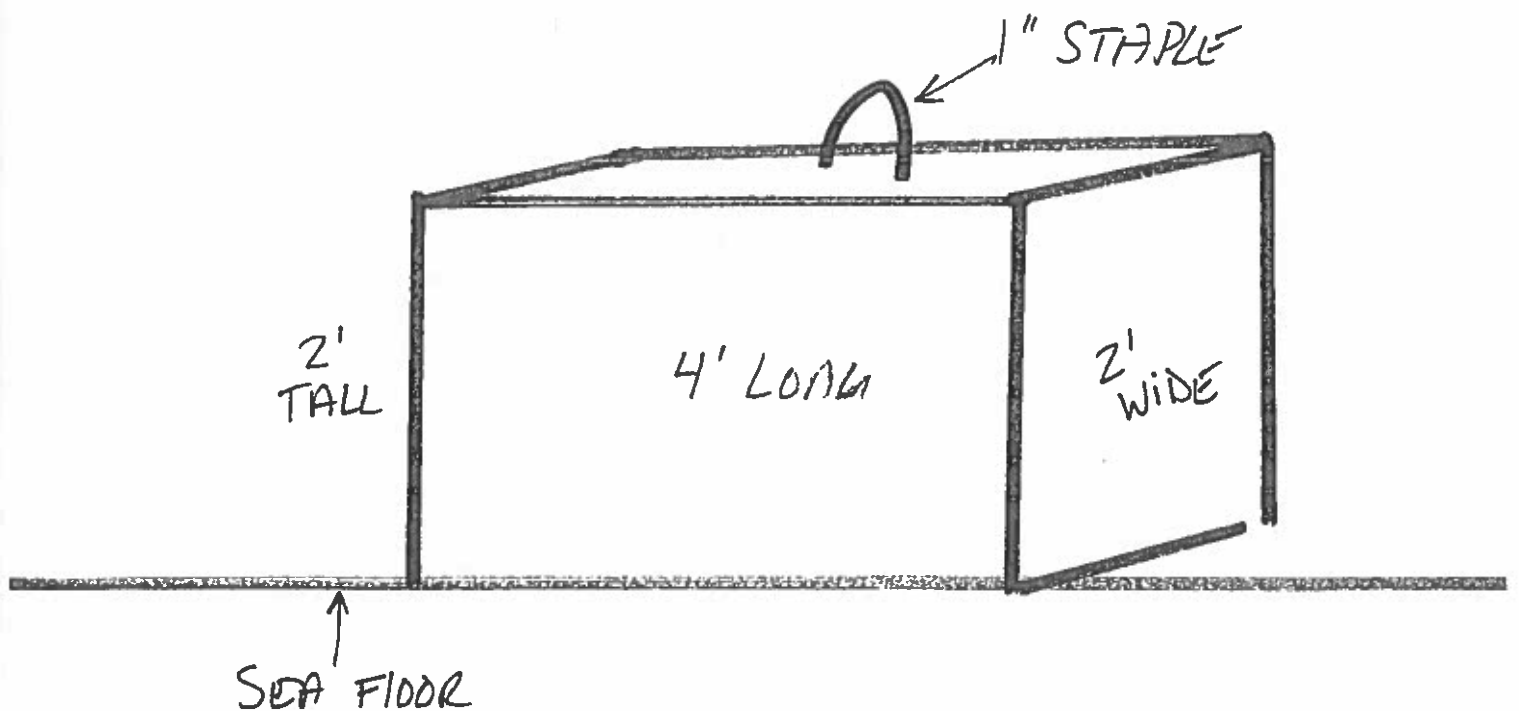
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GEAR DRAWING-MOORING:

FROM QUESTION: 12 Δ

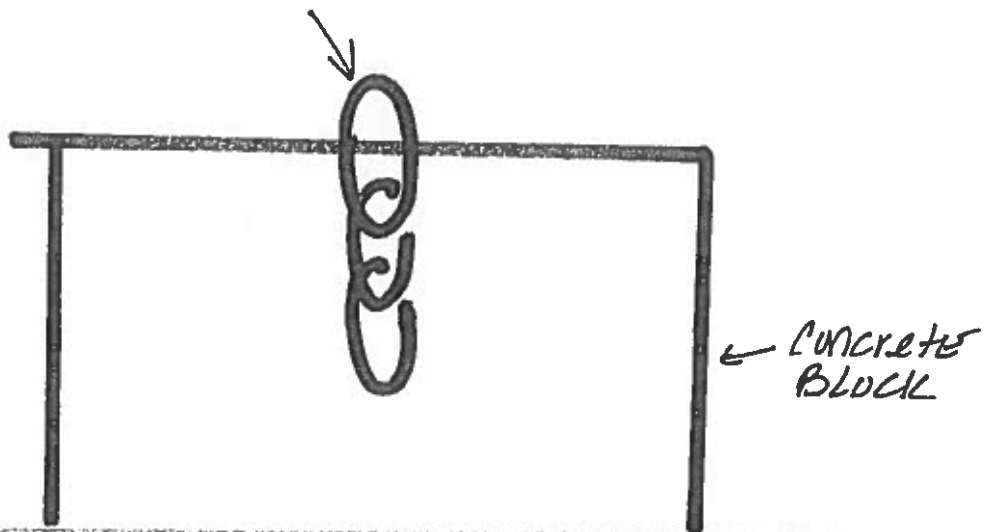
CONCRETE BLOCK - 1,800 LBS



GEAR DRAWING: MOORING STAPLE:

FROM QUESTION: 12Δ

1" DIAMETER CHAIN
SET INTO CONCRETE
MOORING BLOCK



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