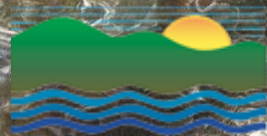




Oyster Restoration update for Harris Creek and the Little Choptank River





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Harris Creek

- Tributary Plan oyster goal 377 acres, but only 326 suitable for restoration
- **2014:** 105 acres- 62 (*DNR*), 23 (*Army Corps*), 20 seed-only (*ORP*)
 - Total to date in Harris Creek 289
- **Planned for 2015:** 37 acres (*Army Corps*), finish spat-on-shell deployment (*ORP*)
- Total 326 acres by end of 2015

Little Choptank River

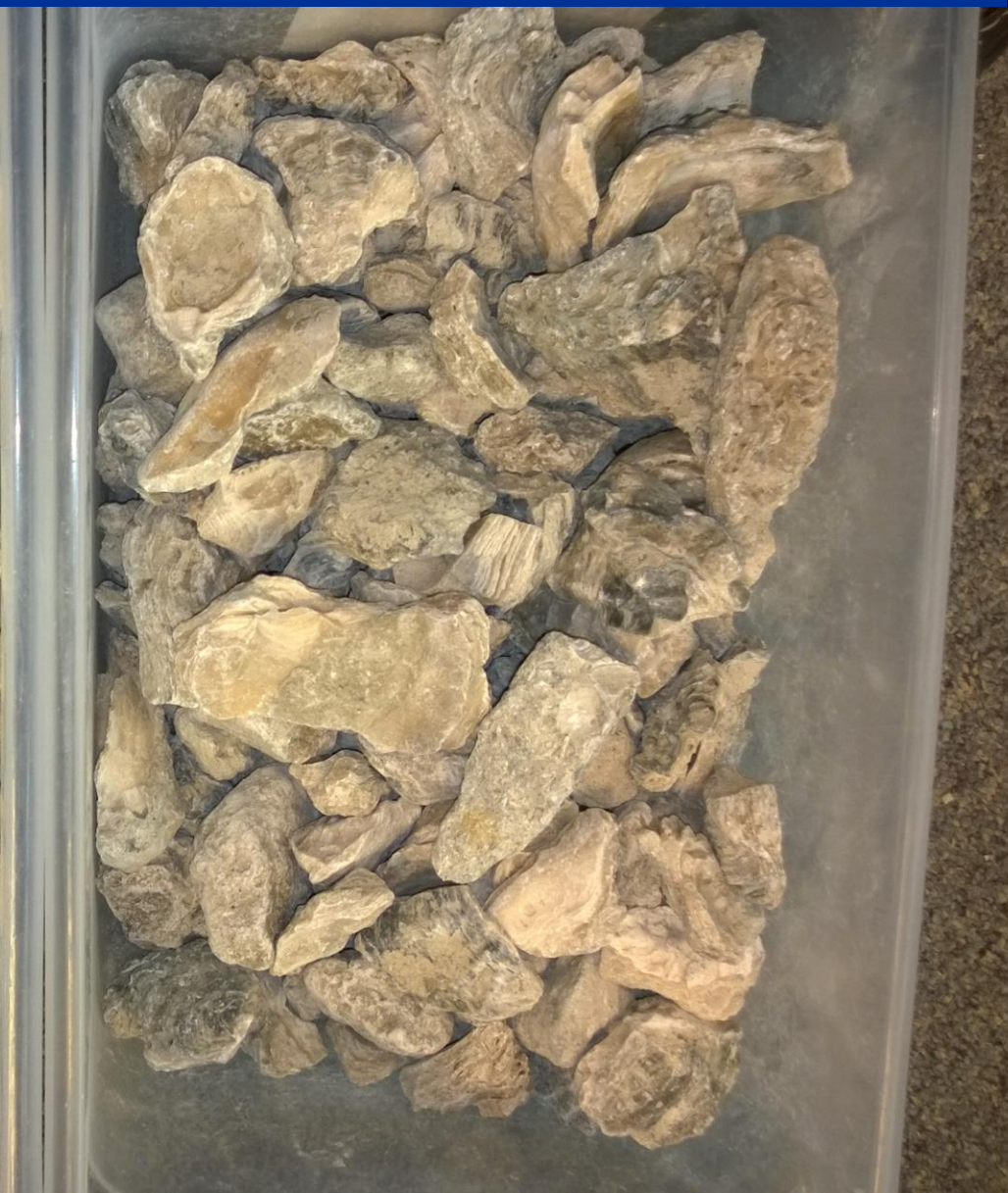
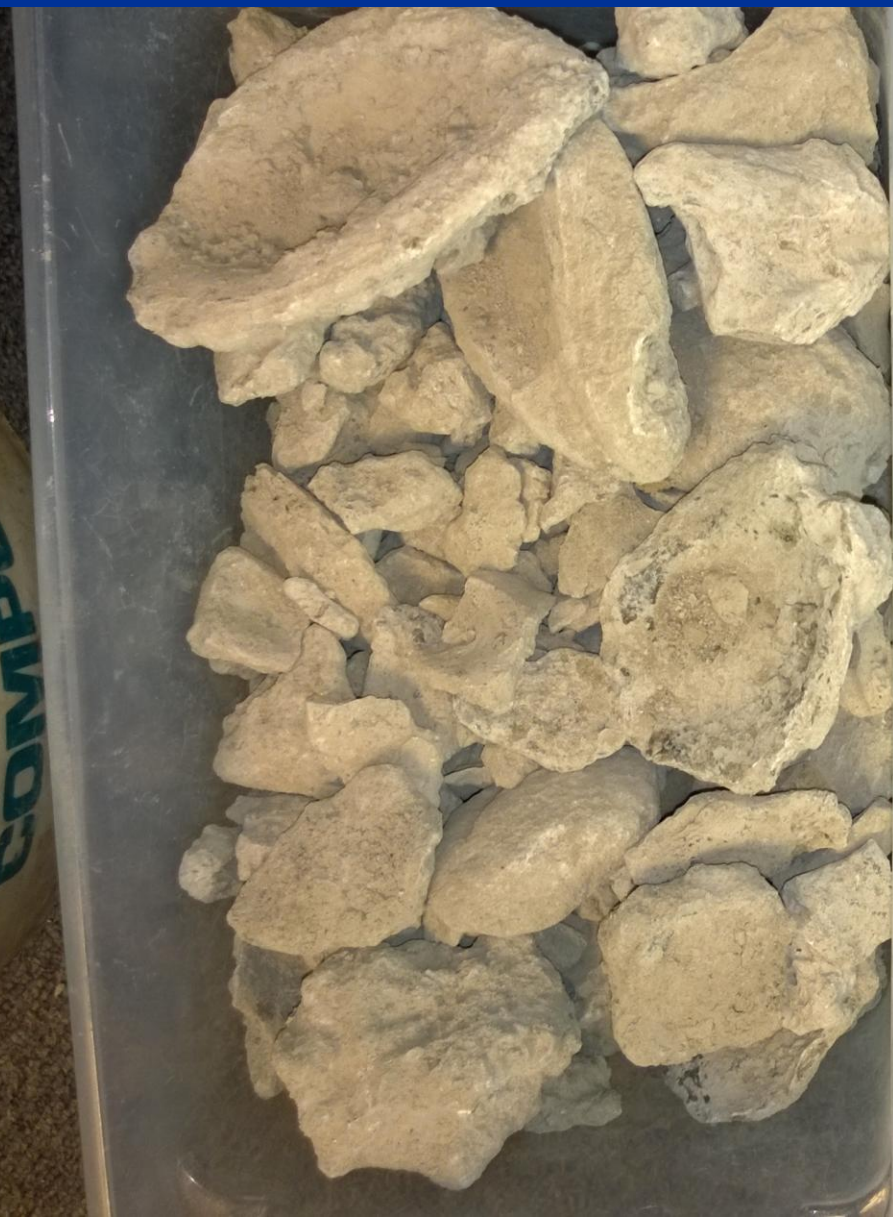
Tributary Plan oyster goal 221 acres

2014-15: granite- 214,800 tons, *fossil shell 57,585 tons*- total 182 acres by early 2016

Fossil shell

- To date- 10 trains, 50,000 tons of fossil shell planted





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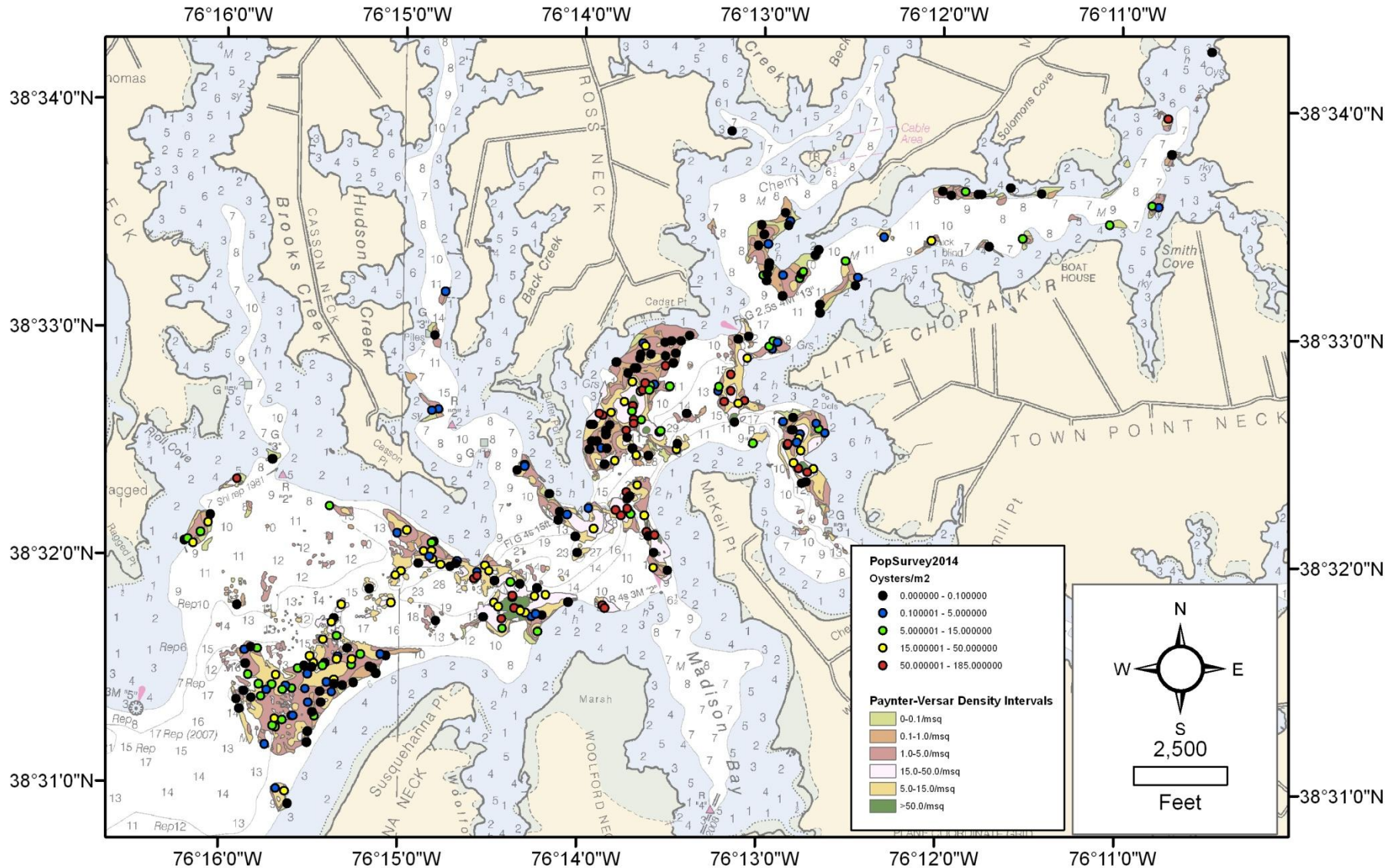








Little Choptank River Oyster Population Survey April 2014











- 2/27/2014 DNR Little Choptank River Restoration Open House- Cambridge <http://news.maryland.gov/dnr/2014/02/21/public-invited-to-little-choptank-river-oyster-restoration-open-house/>
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- 3/4/2014 Corps alternate materials permit modification issued
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- 4/30/2014 Fossil shell planting in Little Choptank River began
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- 5/1/2014 Watermen surround barge, stop work
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- 5/3/2014 Star Democrat article “*Work continues after protest*” http://www.stardem.com/news/local_news/article_12efe777-2bb6-539a-9e29-487a850162e8.html
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- 5/7/2014 PIA to DNR for Little Choptank survey information
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- 5/9/2014 FOIA request to Army Corps
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- 6/3/2014 PIA request for contracts
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- 6/? PIA request to MDE re. water quality certification

