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**THE VIEW FROM ATLANTIC AVENUE**

**June 30, 2022:** During the summer of 2019, I was approached by Nat Barrows, Publisher of Penobscot Bay Press and this newspaper, to see if we would consider picking up this weekly column from the many years that Claire Grindle wrote weekly about issues facing our commercial fisheries. It seemed like a good idea and my first step was to talk to Claire whom I had known for many years when we both served on the Fisherman's Forum Board. Claire encouraged me to take this on, and ever since, we've provided a weekly column about current events in the fisheries and some data to help you readers to track the activities on our working waterfront and beyond. It has been a fun challenge and several of the staff at MCCF have contributed columns over these past few years.

I will be retiring from my position as Executive Director for MCCF at the end of July and this is my final column for the Penobscot Bay Press. MCCF program staff will continue this weekly column for the foreseeable future. MCCF's mission is vital to the continued prosperity of our seafood economy and we are asking the hard questions about the natural resources, sustainability and community resilience. It's clear that the role a nonprofit like MCCF plays as a boundary-spanning organization is important to connecting industry members, scientists, and policy makers to share knowledge and perspectives.

It's also clear to me, after 40 years working in public service, that change is constant and we all need to be willing to be life-long-learners and adapt in order to keep our working waterfronts, but also to balance conservation and individual and collective prosperity. I want to thank all the fishermen and community members that work with us at the Center and I urge you to stay connected with our dedicated staff, help out when you can, and support the work with your wealth if you are able. There will be a transition to new leadership later this year and I urge you to welcome the new Director and help him or her get to know the region. I plan to remain involved in the important issues in one way or another. Wishing you fair winds and following seas.

Do you have a question about our fisheries? Send it to [info@coastalfisheries.org](mailto:info@coastalfisheries.org) or call 207.367.2708. Learn more about MCCF by visiting us online at [www.coastalfisheries.org](http://www.coastalfisheries.org).

**FISHERIES LOG**

Prices to Harvesters in Stonington

Lobsters (shedder): \$4.00/lb.

Bait (fresh pogies): \$125/crt.

Fuel (diesel): \$5.29/gal.

Oceanographic Buoy 1-01

44°6'10"N 68°6'44"W - Frenchboro

Sea Surface Temperature: N/A

Bottom Temperature: 47.6°F (avg. for this date: 45.1°F)

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