

Shellfish Aquaculture Workshop

Wednesday
March 1, 2017

10AM—3PM

Osceola County
Extension Office
Osceola Heritage Park
1921 Kissimmee Valley
Lane
Kissimmee, FL

Lunch is provided.

If you are unable to attend,
complete a questionnaire so
your input can be incorporated.
To obtain a questionnaire or
to confirm your attendance,
please contact:

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PURPOSE:

- The aim is to help Florida institutions acquire a substantial amount of funding to use in solving the highest priority issues affecting the Florida Shellfish Aquaculture Industry.
- Industry Members, Researchers, and Regulatory Agency Representatives will identify and prioritize these issues.
- The outcome will be a solution-orientated plan that will help to guide research and informational needs of the industry for Florida Sea Grant's 2018-21 strategic plan.
- The day will incorporate brainstorming exercises, breakout groups, and general discussion.

FEATURED LUNCHEON SPEAKER:

Mike Oesterling, Executive Director,
Shellfish Growers of Virginia



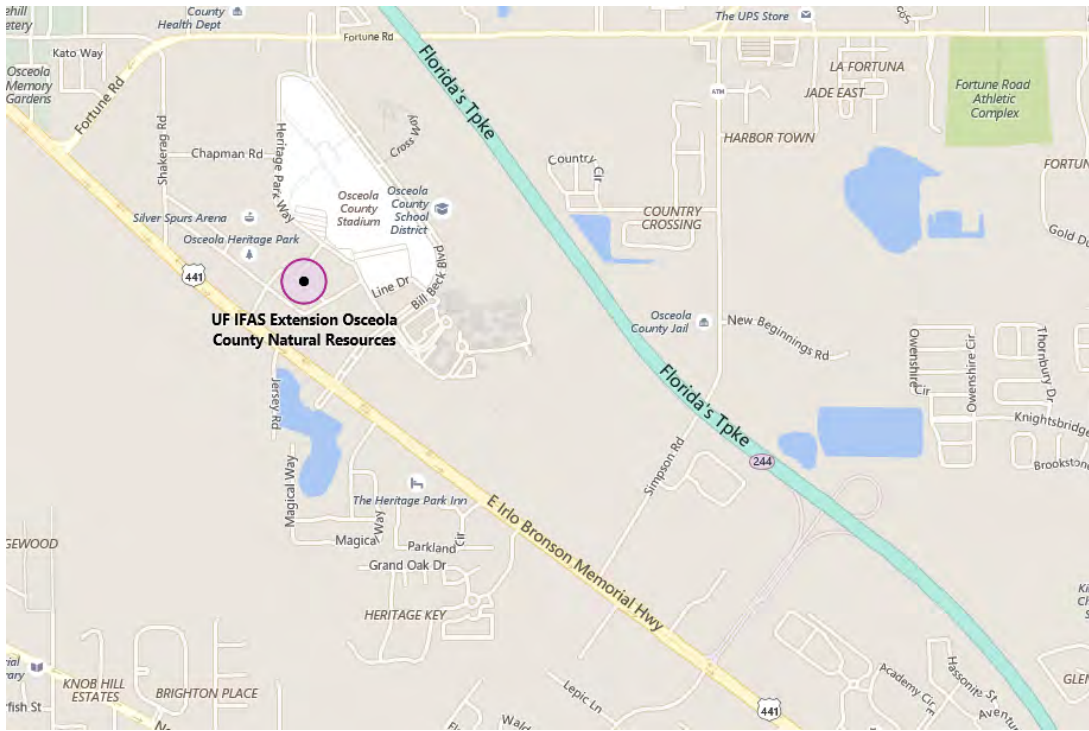
The Shellfish Aquaculture Industry of Virginia

The shellfish culture industry of Virginia provides a significant economic benefit to the Commonwealth, with an annual farm-gate value approaching \$50 million and a total impact close to \$100 million. Virginia has become the leading producer of hard clams and Eastern oysters with the majority of production coming from a system of vertically integrated private hatcheries.

Prior to Mike's current position as director of a trade organization of shellfish farmers, he served as the Virginia Sea Grant Marine Extension aquaculture specialist. Mike will provide an overview of the Virginia shellfish aquaculture industry, including production information and a list of challenges facing the industry, and will answer the question "Why has Virginia Shellfish Aquaculture been so successful?"

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From I-4 Westbound Exit #77 (FL turnpike-south)

From Florida's Turnpike Southbound Exit #244 (Kissimmee/St. Cloud)

At light T/R and proceed W on US-192 for 1 mile T/R on Bill Beck Blvd (2nd traffic light after toll booth)

Proceed 2/10 of a mile, T/L into Osceola Heritage Park (Heritage Park Way), take first left on to Chief Osceola Trail and T/R onto Kissimmee Valley Lane.

Use Parking Lot in front of the Extension Offices.

From Florida's Turnpike Northbound Exit #242 (Kissimmee/St. Cloud)

T/L (west) onto US-192.

Travel approx. 3 miles (4 traffic lights), T/R on Bill Beck Boulevard.

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