



**Gulf of Maine
Council on the
Marine Environment**

**2015 Gulf of Maine
Industry Award
Nomination Form**



The Gulf of Maine Industry Award is made annually to an individual, company, or organization within the Gulf of Maine region: Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia. The Award recognizes demonstrated innovation and leadership in efforts to improve the well-being of the Gulf of Maine ecosystem and the communities that call it home. Nominations are sought for nominees from the following sectors: tourism; fisheries (commercial and recreational); aquaculture (finfish and shellfish); renewable energy generation (tidal, wave and wind) and transportation (shipping, ferries, etc.).

Nomination instructions:

1. Individuals or organizations may submit nominations. Self-nominations are not accepted.
2. The nominee must be resident of Maine, Massachusetts, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, or Nova Scotia. The nominee's contributions must have been to the Gulf of Maine watershed.
3. Industry Award nominees may be paid professionals or volunteers.
4. Nominations must be made on this form. Attachments will not be accepted.
5. Nominations must be emailed directly to theresa.torrent@maine.gov by **March 30, 2015**. Please rename the nomination form with _LastNameofNominee added to the end of the file name.

Questions? Please contact Theresa Torrent at theresa.torrent@maine.gov or 207.287.2351.

To view a list of past award winners, please visit: <http://www.gulfofmaine.org/2/opportunities/>

Nominee information

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Brief background on why you are nominating the individual:

In 2012 Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood Company donated the Pea Point Nature Preserve to the Nature Trust of New Brunswick for the purpose of permanently preserving its ecological, cultural and aesthetic values for the benefit of current and future generations. The Pea Point Nature Preserve is located near the village of Blacks Harbour, New Brunswick, adjacent to the Grand Manan Ferry Terminal and the Pea Point lighthouse, first lit in 1878. This nature preserve contains many ecologically significant habitats such as Acadian Forest which the World Wildlife Fund declared as one of the most endangered forest types in North America, wetlands, Blacks Harbour Redbeds and coastal shoreline along the Lower Bay of Fundy.

In 2014, Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood Company donated the southern portion of Frye Island (168 acres). The island, located in the Lower Bay of Fundy, in the vicinity of the town of St. George, New Brunswick, contains a high diversity of plant and animal species providing a stopping point for migrating raptors and other birds, making it an Environmentally Significant Area (ESA) for many species of birds. The area encompasses several 14 kilometers of coastline which is characterized by headlands, coves, woodland waterfalls, and salt marshes. It also contains Acadian Forest, the most endangered forest in North America. There are scenic kayaking attractions amongst the coastal features such as shipwrecks, waterfalls, beaches, coves and marshes. This site also contains archeological site.

Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood has been a significant part of the community of Blacks Harbour and the Bay of Fundy for more than a century and the donations of these important nature preserves to the Nature Trust is further evidence of their commitment to community health and the sustainability of the Gulf of Maine.

Summary that will be read during the awards ceremony if nominee is chosen. This text will also be used in media releases (not to exceed 2,000 characters, including spaces and punctuation):

Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood Company donated the Pea Point Nature Preserve and the southern portion of Frye Island to the Nature Trust of New Brunswick. Both preserves are located in the Lower Bay of Fundy. Pea Point Nature Preserve is located near the village of Blacks Harbour, New Brunswick adjacent to the Grand Manan Ferry Terminal and the Pea Point lighthouse. Frye Island is located in the vicinity of the town of St. George, New Brunswick. These areas were identified during the Southwest New Brunswick Marine Resources Planning Initiative as environmentally important areas, worthy of further study and protection. Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood has been a significant part of the community of Blacks Harbour and the Bay of Fundy for more than 100 years. The donation of these preserves to the Nature Trust is further evidence of their commitment to community health and the sustainability of the Gulf of Maine. The generosity of Connors Bros. Clover Leaf Seafood Company will enable the Nature Trust to protect the sensitive ecology of these areas in perpetuity through conservation and stewardship.

Your name and full contact information: Renata Woodward, Nature Trust of New Brunswick, POBox 603, Stn A, NB, E3A 2K8, (506) 457-2398, naturetrust@ntnb.org