Estimated Annual Expenditures, Multiplier Effects and Total Economic Activity Associated with 7,000 People Visiting the Proposed Tidewater Learning Center in Falmouth, Maine.^a

Expenditure Category	Estimated Annual Visitor Expenditures	Estimated Multiplier Effect	Estimated Total Economic Activity
Gas Stations	\$84,000	\$14,500	\$98,500
Restaurants	\$140,000	\$43,000	\$183,000
General Merchandise	\$87,500	\$7,000	<u>\$94,500</u>
Totals	\$311,500	\$64,500	\$376,000

This analysis focused on estimating annual economic activity associated with estimated visitor spending and did not attempt to estimate all of the potential economic activity associated with the proposed Tidewater Learning Center in Falmouth, Maine. The University of Maine Cooperative Extension Cumberland County Office provided the annual visitor estimate of 7,000 or an average of 28 visitors per work day.

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^c The multiplier effect was estimated using IMPLAN, an economic impact model. The multiplier effect represents the additional spending on goods and services throughout the Falmouth area economy resulting from the initial round of visitor spending in these sectors.

The estimated total economic activity includes the estimated direct spending by visitors in each sector plus the multiplier effect of this spending throughout the Falmouth area economy.