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Please make absolutely sure to increase all net monitoring, water quality issues and effect measures to decrease irresponsible and irreversible damage that Atlantic Salmon farms are doing in the Salish Sea. The demonstrated incompetance of Cooke Industries should stand as enough evidence to shut this industry down in our waters before it is too late. It is difficult to fathom that a law was enacted to allow this industry to continue until 2022. So much damage will be done in those 3-4 years. We have reached the critical stage with Pacific salmon runs crashing, Orca whales becoming extinct fast, and if you look at the travesty of BC Fish farming, you'll see that the writing is on the wall. Let us be prudent and wise now to fully monitor the farms from every angle and require farms to submit regular data to demonstrate best practices. We should not delay to make it difficult for this industry to continue to damage the Salish Sea.

Efforts to bar further farms from opening should be mandatory. Let's be smart and ethical about this. Mistakes have already been made. We don't need to make anymore. Thanks for your efforts to staunch the flow of attacks on our environment.