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I am the owner of the Cliff House along with Dr. Carl Jelstrup on Cypress Island ,Mexican Bay. We are situated above the fish pens. We arrived to the Cliff House 34 years ago when wildlife was abundant and the bay was filled with lots of life, fish,crabs,oysters,flour essence, grasses and kelp. With one pen we were all able to sustain quiet waters and no increase of pollution.

We witnessed the fish pen break in the 90,s and again last August with the growth of one pen to three larger pens with an excess totalling over 400,000 Atlantic salmon escape.

The pollution caused by the fish pens has made Mexican Bay a desert of no life, slimed grasses and slimed kelp whatever is left. All from the sewage created by the fish farms. There are no fish, oysters etc. to be had.

In short when we arrived to Cypress there was a rich beautiful bay full of life. Last year even before the devastating break in the pens we were looking at a dead bay with no life. All destroyed by the fish farms.

It should also be noted that parts of this area of the island has been designated as pristine area for protection by the DNR.

We want no permits for the pens because of the autrocities these pens have created on the immediate environment.

In addition to this is the extreme noise pollution the pens created as well

So in short pristine nature supposedly protected by DNR has turned into an industrial site with far reaching pollution in the entire area.

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