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Dear Ecology of Washington State - PLEASE, do not let this lease continue. Cooke Aquaculture is one of the worst tenants one could ever deal with. Look what happened in your state already. Open Pen Fish Farms do not belong in water, they only believe to be sustainable when on land. In CANADA, they are putting a plan to REMOVE all Open Pen fish feedlots and move them to LAND BASED. This is your opportunity to only move forward. We have a Cooke site in our bay and they have major breaks of equipment, they have "die offs" of fish both in winter and summer. They are operating this site outside their lease, they just are like bullies and do what they want to do and disregard what the community wants. The owner calls us "ill informed" and "whiners" because we in Nova Scotia care about the sustainability of our oceans and coastlines. Look at what they did to WA, they threatened to sue the state for 75 MILLION because of NAFTA. Is that who you want to have as a tenant. Don't believe their scoping documents, full of lies. If our Provincial Gov't (who want them here) approves this licence here, they will place their fish farm right on top of where our treasured Lobster Fishers fish. That industry for our small province is 2 BILLION. The Minister is in tight with Cooke. Our local communities all say NO to open pen fish farms. Thank you for your time, make the right decision and say NO ! Trout or Salmonnot a good product for your economy. Brian