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Every other Western state has learned their lesson with net pens—how is Washington state so far behind on making common-sense improvements to their net pen policies in the Puget Sound? Need I remind you of The Great Atlantic Salmon Saga of 2017, in which Cooke's business practices proved to, once again, not be up to par, let alone up to the standards we should have for protecting our native fish and other aquatic species? This is a massively short sighted allowance on the part of WDFW, and literally everyone agrees, from tribes to conservationists to fisherman. Please, work for the people, not for corporations with a track record of destroying fish habitat and polluting precious water resources from Maine to right here in our backyard. This shouldn't even be a question. I can't believe myself and countless others have to, once again, argue that net pens **DO NOT BELONG IN THE PUGET SOUND.**

So better. Listen to us. Thank you.

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