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I spend a lot of time on the water in Puget Sound (Rich Passage) near the existing Cooke pens. I have two kayaks and we kayak in the area close to the pens. The water quality in our area is quite poor due to the aquaculture impact on these public waters. When you are in a kayak right at water level, you can visually see the impact on the water quality. The visibility in the water is quite poor compared to other areas further away from the pens. To add more fish to these pens would further degrade the quality of the public waters that we would like to keep as clean as possible. We (my wife Kristin and I) are strongly against the use of these public waters for fish aquaculture and would be supportive of their complete removal when their current leases expire.