

# Joseph Parson

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please refuse any further permits that allow Cooke Aquaculture to continue. Open net pen fish farming needs to be eliminated from the puget sound and Salish sea our waters face enough damage and pollution without the additional effects of a foreign business that cares nothing for the environment it is exploiting. Switching species will not reduce the amount of daily pollution from open net pen fish farms. Fish waste and the discharge of antibiotics into the water Will not change by farming a different species. As well the spread of pathogens disease will likely get worse by introducing a species more closely related to our native steelhead. Please do not allow Cooke Aquaculture or any other Open net pen fish farm to operate in our waters

Thank you