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The Ft Ward fish pens are directly in our view and it's a shame that it's marred by them. I think our passage is much too narrow for the pens to be located here. They are a visual blight and the noise made by the operation is offensive. Not to mention that I don't trust Cooke after their 2018 spills.

Recently I complained to the DNR, Fish & Wildlife, the Bainbridge Police and Cooke about the 100-200 sea lions that were hauling out on their pens for approximately 2 months this summer. All they needed to do was install more fencing to create a barrier. First they lied in an email to me and said it would cost \$100K to fence the pens off. When several neighbors complained they installed simple fencing in 2 hours! But it took them months to respond and then act.

I'd like to see the passage returned to its indigenous state.