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Net pens open to the ocean have been shown in recent research studies in BC to have negative impacts on wild salmon and steelhead. BC is removing their pens by 2025 based on this science. WA should not ignore it and jeopardize our few remaining wild salmon and steelhead. A pen near the mouth of the Skagit is an especially bad idea. Just say no!

Also, from an economic perspective, net pens exploit our natural resources to benefit only a few people who own the company. Healthy fish populations are far more beneficial to the state's overall economy, since sport fishers spend hundreds of dollars a trip at local businesses. Don't risk killing the golden goose.