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I am writing to register my objections to this application, and to urge you to deny the permit.

This will be a further industrialization of residential beaches with many adverse impacts.

There is minimal economic benefit to the local region, none to affected residents and minimal employment. The project benefits only Taylor Shellfish, but negatively impacts all residents and recreational boaters in the area.

It is in conflict with the goals of the Shoreline Master Program.

Geoduck aquaculture, in this location, will impede beach access for residents, and end the current educational activities.

The presence of hundreds of ugly plastic pipes will be a negative esthetic factor which will damage property values.

The presence of nets and pipes displaces other marine life and removes habitat. Harvesting of Geoducks is done by complete liquefaction of the seabed, destroying all other life and the ecosystem.

It is a destructive process and not a sustainable one, and reverses all the past efforts at Conservation and water improvement in Henderson Inlet.

I ask you to deny the permit application.

Thank you for your consideration.
Jonathan Briggs