

Ron Buckholt

From: Lanny Carpenter <cascadia32@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 9:14 PM
To: Ron Buckholt

Dear Mr. Buckholt,

This message is to express my concern regarding the proposed new aquaculture project located on the north east shore of Henderson Inlet just north of Otis Beach.

I am a land holder in the Henderson Inlet Watershed. I pay the special water quality tax and do all the extra monitoring. I have no problem with doing my part to protect the waters and wildlife of the inlet.

I do have serious concerns with the Taylor project. Have the impacts on wildlife and water quality been properly addressed? With the restoration work done on the Nisqually Delta I have seen a significant increase in the number of forage fish using the near shore environment. This has been the first sign of improvement I have seen in the 50 years I have observed the Reach and Inlet.

I would be quite upset to think that all those positive efforts have only made the waters safe for massive aquaculture. I fear that this particular project is only the camels nose under the tent.

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