From: Evan Smith
To: Sonja Cady

Subject: Comment on 2022103702 Taylor Shellfish/Manzanita Geoduck SSDP

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I am writing to object to allowing Taylor Shellfish a permit to farm geoduck in Henderson Inlet. The practices used for geoduck farming are clearly a high risk for introducing microplastics into Puget Sound in even greater numbers, with tidal movement and UV exposure presenting a huge risk to further damage of an already fragile ecosystem. It is my opinion that such permits should not be granted as we risk doing even further damage to our vulnerable marine wildlife.

Thank you for your time, Evan Smith