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Thank you for the opportunity to comment prior to the public hearing of 9 Jan, 2024. Johnson Point, Olympia, Washington

I am an adjacent property to the proposed industrial farming area. This past summer our water front was consistently intruded upon by a fishing vessel at time periods before 7 AM on weekends to late until the afternoon. I am attaching a picture and I have a video which is too large to upload, where you can clearly hear the noise created. Real property ownership should include the concept of a bundle of rights. These rights include the right of possession, the right of control, the right of exclusion, **the right of enjoyment** and the right of disposition. The request of this "farm" would take away the right of enjoyment. The act of farming would include additional boat activity at all hours and days of the week without end for the duration. The gasoline from the boats, would pollute the waters – as normally water needs to move to clean itself. Kids, wildlife, pets, and citizens would be prevented from swimming near this farm. The act of "vacuuming the soil" to mine the geoducks is destructive to the tidelands.

The county has perpetually encroach on property rights. When the buffer zones were increased, it put many homes like mine as "nonconforming". This previous action and now allowing a industrial geoduck farm along the very same section that is in the Growth management plan and shoreline master plan appears to be contradictory to the protection of our ecosystem.

Water front owners are required to pay exorbitant property taxes — If you are going to allow an industrial farm to go in that clearly takes away enjoyment, exhibits noise pollution, is unsightly, trashes our tidelands and beach, then I would expect Thurston county to act appropriately and reduce our property taxes to match that of other <u>industrial</u> areas. We of course know that will not happen, but appeals will because the county knows this is a detriment to the area.

Property owners have to pay while corporations get away with trashing our shorelines and not held to account. No amount of money will clean the muddy waters of this farm.

One final note - What about the Governors climate change initiative? What is the cost of the boats emitting Carbon monoxide into the air? You want to take away gas stoves and blowers – yet Thurston County is good with Noise, gas, co2 emissions from this farm? Do as I say, not as I do? Convenient that there are so many restrictions on tax payers, but not so much on corporations...

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