

Subject: Marine sanctuary, Olympic coast
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TO: Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary
RE: Management Plan Review

Protect the Peninsula's Future (PPF) is a 501(c)(3), 35 year organization based in Sequim WA. Over the many years, PPF has led many water related issues, including, but not limited to, stopping nuclear power plants and oil ports around our coastline and upgrading Sequim's waste water treatment to tertiary levels for its reuse.

PPF now takes this opportunity to comment during the Sanctuary Management Plan Review scoping process. We limit our comments to the following.

* Off-Shore Energy Development: PPF strongly urges banning offshore oil and gas drilling.

*Open-Ocean Aquaculture. Open-ocean aquaculture should not be allowed in the OCNMS. We support the recently adopted (November 2008) "International Declaration Against Unsustainable Salmon Fish Farming". (Attached) The polluting impacts of this industry, both processing and environmental and human health impacts, are well cited in the literature, spelled out in the Declaration, and described in the West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health

Pens in the rough waters of the Pacific are no match for mother nature. Pen-raised fish when released are an invasive species. Undoubtedly, the pens would break up; the escaped penned fish would continue to decimate the already compromised genetics and habitat of wild salmon. As well, the pens would interfere with whale migration patterns.

We strongly oppose this industry in or near the Sanctuary. NOAA has been an advocate for pen raised fish within state waters and in the open ocean. We find your position on this to be adverse to the best interests of our marine resources.

Respectfully ,

Eloise Kailin
Corresponding Secretary
Enclosure:

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**International Declaration Against Unsustainable
Salmon Farming**

We are global environmentalists, First Nations, scientists, tourism business owners and operators, and fishermen/women fighting to save our coasts. We have inspected salmon farms, and held summits in Chile, Canada and Norway. We conclude that the science is conclusive: open-net cage salmon farming is severely impacting the world's oceans.

Specifically salmon farming is:

1. Ecologically devastating (e.g.: destabilizing ecosystems by killing wild salmon across the northern hemisphere, discharging invasive species. Depriving wildlife such as bears, eagles,

whales as well as human communities of a primary food source, causing massive viral and sea lice epidemics, and genetic pollution)

2. Socially destructive: (e.g.: leading to worker death and labor law infractions in Chile, threatening valuable local economies, degrading traditional food resources and ignoring the rights of Canadian First Nations, Chilean artisanal fishermen, and Norwegian and Sami fisherman)

3. Threatening local food security with drug, feed and feces discharge: (e.g.: chemical net antifoulants, unapproved louse chemotherapeutics, antibiotics, flesh colorants, tons of nitrogen and phosphorous associated with toxic algae blooms)

4. Threatening the global food supply by fishing the North Atlantic and South Pacific to produce aquaculture feed resulting in a net loss of fish supply available to feed people, affecting also the marine food web.

We found that the salmon farm corporations, largely Norwegian owned, are denying impact and distracting the public from hearing the truth in all our countries. We found that governments are complicit with the fish farming industry delaying protection of ocean resources and also withholding the truth from the public that salmon farms kill wild salmon and harm other indigenous species.

The United Nations Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries adopted in 1995 states "As a primary goal, aquaculture development should conserve genetic diversity and minimize negative effects of farmed fish on wild fish populations, while increasing supplies of fish for human consumption." We declare each of these principles violated by today's global marine salmon farming industry.

Ocean ecosystems are essential to life on earth. As such we are resolved to protect our oceans from salmon farming. We are calling for a global moratorium on raising salmon in net pens and an immediate halt to the destruction of public ocean resources by this industry. We invite others to learn more and sign at www.ourglobalocean.org It is our intention to prevent this industry from continuing to devastate our Oceans.

Signed this day November 2, 2008

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