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Subject: Concerns regarding Samoa Peninsula Fish Farm
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Hello Planners,

I'm deeply concerned about a number of aspects of the proposed fish farm on the Samoa Peninsula due to the scale of the project, energy use and potential for damage. To be concise, I've listed some of my concerns:

The amount of energy used to run the facility compared to the number of jobs created is unsustainable.

The amount of energy used will contribute significantly to pollution and problems associated with climate change.

Locally produced wind energy to offset energy use isn't in place and faces many obstacles.

The effects of suctioning water out of the bay on wildlife and current businesses on the proposed scale hasn't been previously experienced and is an unknown. More information is needed.

Pumping warm water and any level of pollution into the ocean contributes to environmental damage of natural fish habitat. Does the information presented about safety address this?

Consumers prefer and seek out wild-caught fish.

Transporting many agricultural commodities out of the area has limited production and success. It also contributes to the environmental cost of the product.

The location of the plant is in a Tsunami zone.

Building an oversized facility on top of the existing mill site repeats the mistake of developing industry in a sensitive area that can be used for recreation.

Governments don't have a track record for mitigating the existing damage to the site.

So much work is left to be done to make our rivers and bay hospitable to natural populations of fish and other aquatic life and to keep it hospitable for our community. Please support development that enhances and preserves the area's ecology, open spaces, natural systems and sustainable businesses.

Thank you for taking public comment.

Sincerely,

Sallie Grover