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To: Planning Clerk

Subject: Hearing 7/28/2022 regarding Nordic Aquafarms

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I am writing to express my serious concerns with regard to the Nordic Aquafarms plan that comes before the planning commission today. While Humboldt County does need more employment opportunities that provide good jobs, I don't believe this project is the right one for our community.

The massive electrical usage will greatly increase our carbon footprint while also causing concerns when we need to be "islanded" due to wildfire. Also, it seems foolish to build such a massive structure on a thin slip of peninsula very much in danger of tsunami and/or earthquake. Of course Nordic Aquafarms has a plan for keeping their fish out of the waters of the bay and the ocean. But they cannot plan for the size of the next earthquake or tsunami. Because we can't afford to clean up the toxic mess left by the pulp mill, we plan to exchange it for a different type of toxic mess? The waste water that will be generated will increase the water temperature in the area where it is to be released. Aren't we attempting to prevent increased ocean temperature?

My husband and I choose to live in Humboldt County because of its educated and environmentally responsible choices in the past. This plan, if it proceeds, seems to be a step in the wrong direction.

Sincerely, Patti Stuart 2298 Timothy Court McKinleyville 95519

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