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Dear Panel

I live in Gardners Bay in the Huon Valley. I regularly access the coast, my favourite haunts include nearby Randalls Bay and Big Roaring further afield where I often take interstate and overseas visitors.

I ask that the inquiry takes into account the social impact of salmon farms on those who live in the regions close by, particularly the visual impact and the noise associated with these facilities. The quality of life and tourism values of the Huon Valley region are important values to preserve into the future.

My other even greater concern is the environmental impact of fish farming, and in particular the high level of fresh water usage when Hobart is about to be put on water restrictions. The impact of fish waste, drug and chemical use need to be properly and transparently monitored and the decisions of the EPA acted upon.

To this end, I would ask that you recommend increased representation on the **Marine Farming Planning Review Panel** for interests not aligned with fish farming (Conservation group, recreational fishing and community) and require fish farming scientists to be totally independent of commercial interests.

Thank you for considering my submission

Kind regards

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