

CASE INLET SHORELINE ASSOCIATION

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Dear Neighbor,

There are still many unresolved aquaculture issues that will have long lasting impacts on citizens' rights, or **loss of rights**, for shoreline use. These issues require legal intervention and we are appealing to your common sense and generosity to contribute now to ensure our rights remain intact.

Specifically, the Coalition to Protect Puget Sound Habitat and Case Inlet Shoreline Association (CISA) are working together to:



Entire cove taken over with aquaculture
Cape Horn

- 1. Appeal the Pierce County Longbranch Shellfish geoduck Determination of Non-Significance permit. This is the first geoduck permit that has been approved in Pierce County since we started appeals in 2007, and could be precedent setting if we do not appeal.
- 2. Hire a leading environmental attorney, Dave Bricklin, to oppose the Seattle Shellfish geoduck seed raft system in Spencer cove, Mason County that would be the size of a football field. It would be destructive to native species and will restrict citizens from using the public waters around this pristine cove.
- 3. Oppose use of Totten Inlet for 58 mussel rafts that could take up to 12 acres of surface waters. In addition to loss of surface space use, these rafts are destructive to natural habitat by decreasing dissolved oxygen under the rafts and down current, creating dead zones.

The south sound has been specifically targeted for aquaculture expansion. If these permits are not stopped they set a precedent for 'preferred use' of industrial aquaculture that will continue to encroach into more and more pristine habitat and recreational areas of our Puget Sound. We all need to stand up and support legal actions necessary to prevent this encroachment and destruction to habitat.

CISA is a 501(c)3 organization. Your donations are tax deductible (EIN 26-0780797). Please mail your donations to the address above or online at www.caseinlet.org/Join Us.php

Mussel rafts in Totten Inlet



For more information on aquaculture please refer to:

www.caseinlet.org and www.protectourshoreline.org

We thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Regards,

CISA board members