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Modification Jervis Bay Mussel Farms Relocation and Expansion

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Please find my objections to the proposed Modification

I am concerned for the bed/floor of Jervis Bay

Have there been assessments carried out on the bed of the bay?.

Anchoring

The floating lines and corner markers have to be anchored to the floor of the bay.

They have been there for possibly 10years and it seems necessary to find out what impacts the anchors have had on the marine life surrounding the anchors on the bed of the bay before permitting removal and relocation.

High wind velocity and wave actions would have caused movement of the anchors and created more damage to the floor of the bay unless they were of concrete but interesting to assess the damage done with this type of anchoring.

Visual Amenity and loss of area.

I also object totally to the Mussel Farm in Jervis Bay and definitely object to its relocation and expansion.

I believe it spoils the visual Amenity of Jervis Bay. There is nothing beautiful about floating boys and fish lines denying entry especially if the farm is to move and expand.

The Bay is for people to enjoy, with its wonderful vista and water to enjoy. The mussel farms are created and areas lost to the people.

Mussel farms do not fit in with the local environment and mussels do not feed the multitudes.

Integrity

There has been questions about a moderate risk for a significant impact on the genetic integrity of wild populations in the Bay as well as possible increase in competition for resources.

While this issue was to be moderated by controlling stocking densities and water quality, the questions just be asked:

Has there been monitoring to assess this issue?

Thank you

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