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| <p>1 Obviously a substantial increase in biomass will impact the water environment.</p> <p>My detailed comments are mainly procedural and apply equally to this applicaiton and the currently open one for Linnhe Ardgour by MOWI.</p> <p>It is wrong for MOWI to submit three CAR licence applications for two adjacent sites within a few weeks of each other, two of them involving temporary increases in biomass at very short notice without so much as alerting local interests. Specifically, they should be discussing all these proposals with ██████ who have commented in detail with concerns about the earlier application at Linnhe Ardgour.</p> <p>██████ have legitimate concerns about sea grass beds in the vicinity and have not had sufficient time to investigate potential problems. I am aware that ██████ has been attempting to persuade MOWI to engage with the local community.</p> <p>It is unprecedented in my experience for so many applications, including a planning a application to Highland Council, to be submitted for two adjacent sites in such quick succession.</p> | <p>Specifically, I believe that MOWI claim to have submitted a number of supporting Appendices with this application which do not appear to be available to interested parties.</p> <p>I find their comment in the supporting letter: 'Please note that this application relates to the existing 12 pens at Gorsten and is separate from the administrative variation seeking the addition of 2 more pens' to be extraordinary. Are we to suppose that they want two extra pens which will not actually be used for this increase in biomass?.</p> <p>I quote from recent minutes of the Scottish Aquaculture Council a comment supporting the view that 'ongoing communication and transparency between developers and communities' are desirable. This from the Cabinet Secretary herself. MOWI were apparently absent from this meeting. I understand that this is not enshrined in law or formal policy quite yet, but MOWI should make a start and it would be helpful if SEPA encouraged them.</p> <p>The very least that MOWI should do is meet with ██████ and explain in simple terms what they are trying to achieve in Loch Linnhe and why.</p> | <p>Azamethiphos and EmBz</p> <p>Concern regarding the impact of Azamethiphos on sea grass ecosystems</p> <p>Concern about EmBz because I am aware of the recent history over changing limits to standards and levels in sediment. I am unsure whether current levels of EmBz would pass the new standards. It doesn't seem right to allow further application when SEPA are consulting on bringing farms into line at the moment.</p> | | | <p>As above</p> | |