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Dear Reader, The more I hear about Nordic Acquafarms the more worried I am. What is most concerning for me is the Vast, unsustainable amount of water that would be used from the aquifers that provide the citizens of Belfast , Bayside, and Northport with drinking water. This is pure clean water that human beings and animals must rely on to survive. Has anyone on various planning/approval boards given thought to the unsustainability of this Salmon farm? What happens if this part of Maine enters into a sustained drought? Climate change is after all a very real issue in this day and age. What happens if peoples wells are affected or emptied? What happens if the aquifers are drained or disrupted enough to damage our water supply? And then there is the issue of sending all those millions of gallons of treated/contaminated and warmed water into the ocean that is home to fragile lobster, wild fish dolphins and seals? These creatures will be impacted in ways we may not know about until it is too late. Nordic will

also be destroying a vast track of mature forest land that abuts a popular walking/ hiking preserve. I urge the various planning committees to say NO to Nordic and their plans to greatly impact this area. They will create relatively few local jobs and their salmon will be sent off to all parts of the world adding additionally to their vast carbon footprint. We need clean business in Waldo County. Once our landscape and waters are destroyed its too late to say hmmm should have thought about that. Maine is loved because of its natural beauty and resources. Lets not destroy them. Thank you , Sincerely Alan Kelly-Hamm, 67 Clinton St , Northport Maine.