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Dear Sir,

Re:- Abalone Land Factory Farm at Port Stephens.

I wish to lodge an objection to the proposed land factory farm, or any such factory within the waters of Port Stephens. The Victorian , open sea, coastal experience has had a disastrous effect to wild abalone in the area, and , who knows what to other marine life and vegetation, spreading as far as Tasmania. The discharge from the proposed farm into Port Stephens estuary would take much longer to dilute than open sea areas , which is likely to cause unimaginable damage to the Port's existing oyster leases, and other marine life.

To allow this development would invite others to use the port as a sewer. Even when " world's best practices " are put in place (if there are any for such factories)is unlikely to guarantee no " damage " to the port waters. Sighting another business on the opposite shore , toxic discharges have had to be reported by the public before the E.P.A carried out any inspection - perhaps five instances in the last year or so - so much for guards against damage. This same business is now trying to utilize public recreation areas (adjoining children's play equipment) to provide additional car parking, which has been below the Council's requirements for the business. Always pushing the boundaries !

PLEASE BAN this development NOW.

Yoursw faithfully,

