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Our ref: AR/MS

20 September 2022

Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: Planning Application 2021/0357/DET at Beinn Reithe Loch Long

I am writing to convey my support for Loch Long Salmon's application above to install semi-closed salmon farming technology at Beinn Reithe.

As you would be aware, proven technologies such as semi-closed containment offer an opportunity to vastly improve the sustainability and production output of aquaculture, which is a substantial and longstanding pillar of the Scottish Economy.

Aquaculture is very significant for Scotland's exports, wider economy and our reputation as a quality producer of food and drink products. You will know of the challenges the sector faces, as it is under pressure to innovate and grow at the same time as improving its welfare and environmental track record.

Semi-closed containment technology is the latest evolution on that road and its first deployment in Scotland in one of our fantastic National Parks would help drive improvement, helping to transform the sector and safeguard the coastal environment well beyond the borders of the National Park.

That is why I understand Scottish Government officials have already written to your team indicating they see this project as "significant" for the whole of Scotland.

Having met and spoken with the team behind Loch Long Salmon, as well as having a detailed knowledge of National Parks from my time as both an MP and MSP, I believe the Benn Reithe project is in line with Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park's core aims and would help achieve positive impact on a national scale.

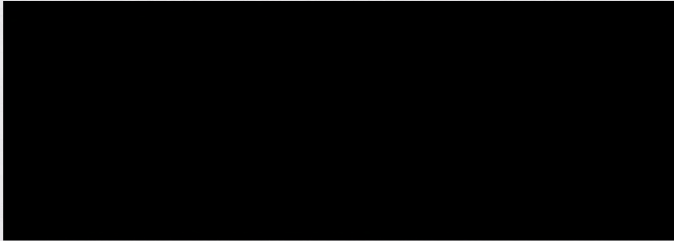
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I hope that the National Park will take this opportunity to point the way to sustainable economic development, which could not only aid the region but also position the National Park as leaders in changing the wider aquaculture industry in Scotland for the better.

Yours faithfully,



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Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: Planning Application 2021/0337/DET at Benn Raithe Loch Long

I am writing to convey my support for Loch Long Salmon's application above to install semi-closed salmon farming technology at Benn Raithe.

As you would be aware, proven technologies such as semi-closed containment offer an opportunity to vastly improve the sustainability and production output of aquaculture, which is a substantial and longstanding pillar of the Scottish Economy.

Aquaculture is very significant for Scotland's export, wider economy and our reputation as a quality producer of food and drink products. You will know of the challenges the sector faces, as it is under pressure to innovate and grow at the same time as improving its welfare and environmental footprint.

Semi-closed containment technology is the latest evolution in fish and its food deployment in Scotland in one of our historic National Parks and will help drive improvement, helping to transform the sector and safeguard the coastal environment well beyond the borders of the National Park.

That is why I understand Scottish Government officials have already written to your team indicating they see this project as "significant" for the whole of Scotland.

Having not had spoken with the team behind Loch Long Salmon, as well as having a detailed knowledge of National Parks from my time as both an MP and MSP, I believe the Benn Raithe project is in line with Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park's core aims and would help achieve positive impact on a national scale.

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