

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

Environmental impacts of salmon farming

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Open industrial salmon farms in Scotland are responsible for unacceptable impacts on the environment from the chemicals used (generally ineffectively) to reduce sea lice numbers, from the organic waste dumped on the sea floor and around these farms and also from the damage escapes of farmed salmon have on wild salmon stocks.

Open water industrial salmon farms in Scotland should be closed and all production moved to closed farms situated on land.