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**Subject:** FW: Alexandra Morton Proposed Itinerary

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**Subject:** RE: Alexandra Morton Proposed Itinerary

randy - spoke to alex. she apologized for her comments (pg 9 van sun 21/04/10) "...Information about specific incidents was passed to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, but they refused to act, Morton said. "Now, government finally doing its job, This is enormous". i provided my recollection of what occurred, where dfo did in fact, respond, immediately following up with two separate investigations involving marine harvest. i explained that her comments were not helpful and asked that she correct her comments. Alexandra said she would "take this under advisement"; that her issue is not with regional staff, but rather with ottawa.

wrt to her planned flotilla past farm sites in her "get out migration" protest; I further reminded alexandra that biosecurity is a real concern for both farm and wild fish. she indicated that she does not believe in biosecurity and rights of free navigation supersede farms perceived rights.

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**From:** Lewis, John

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 21, 2010 5:58 PM

**To:** Carlson, Mike; Mike CARLSON

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mike - as previously discussed, as far as i am aware any interference with fish farms would fall under the jurisdiction of the rcmp. i believe it appropriate for you to respond to mr opala. if requested, c&p is prepared to assist in logistics, etc.

wrt to breaches of biosecurity protocols i am unsure of compliance responsibilities associated with this concern and defer to others with more knowledge on this subject than myself.

i plan to try and contact alexandra this evening in attempt to address the comments in today's vancouver sun (pg 9) and at the same time, will reminder her that adherance to biosecurity protocols is critical to industry interests and the environment itself.

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**From:** Opala, Richard [<mailto:Richard.Opala@marineharvest.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 21, 2010 4:45 PM

**To:** Antaya, Yves AL:EX; 'mike.carlson@rcmp-grc.gc.ca'; Lewis, John

**Cc:** Backman, Clare; 'Christopher Harvey'; 'Christopher Watson'; 'Mary Ellen Walling'; Roberts, Ian

**Subject:** Alexandra Morton Proposed Itinerary

Hello Gentlemen,

The attached email from Judith Wright details events that deeply concern Marine Harvest Canada. The "Itinerary" includes: visiting multiple company farming operations on the same day, people swimming around sites, proceeding to processing facilities and then to on-growing operations...all of these acts create a real potential for damage to property and stock security. This deliberate disregard of Federal, Provincial and Industry biosecurity protocols from these "scheduled" actions is disturbing. At no time has Alexandra Morton or any of her followers contacted our company or Industry to discuss biosecurity protocols and/or safe conduct around our facilities.

Federal and Provincial Regulatory Standards ensure Canadian products are of the highest quality and safe for international trade. As you are well aware; The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) acknowledges that Industry has implemented protocols that govern their daily activities in order to comply with these standards. As quoted from the official CFIA web site: "*The World Trade Organization recognizes the OIE as the standard setting authority for aquatic animal health and, as a member of the two bodies, Canada must observe the international trade rules and standards that are established by both. Likewise, Canada holds its trading partners to the same principles*". In regards to these rules and regulations and the clear intention to ignore biosecurity protocols; diligence dictates that we must inform you and request immediate actions by your enforcement branch to ensure these potentially dangerous activities do not breach biosecurity at our facilities. To allow these actions to proceed without intervention would be a breach of duty as it jeopardizes an

exported product, sets precedent for further actions to all agricultural/fishery producers and question the integrity of all commodities exported from Canada.

Provincial Regulation is clear regarding activities that potentially increase risk to cage and infrastructure at aquaculture facilities. The proposed "Viewing of underwater camera at Cyrus Rocks" is an activity that can damage nets or ancillary mooring and cause a fish escape. These actions can only be interpreted as a clear intent to challenge regulations and potentially harm our property.

We cordially request written confirmation that your offices will address these issues and actively protect our staff, our facilities and BC largest exported commodity.

Sincerely

Richard Opala  
Regulatory Compliance Coordinator  
Marine Harvest Canada

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**From:** Judith Wright [mailto:judithwright\_@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2010 12:57 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Join the Parade!

Hi,

Alex Morton is bringing her **Get Out Migration** through Surge Narrows so here is an opportunity to join her, in support of the wild salmon, and to demand the removal of open net salmon farms from salmon migration routes. Bring your boat, (and maybe some boatless passengers), to the parade, meeting up with the 'Columbia' just south of Beazley Pass. There will be press and cameras with Alex, so the bigger the visual splash we can make, the better.

**Poster/ banner painting party Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>** – 10 till 2 pm at Surge dock (or in the gym if weather is bad). Bring cardboard or sheeting or anything you want to paint!

Below is the proposed schedule for Tuesday the 27th, but be flexible if things don't happen on the dot! Travel with the Columbia part of the way down Hoskyn or all the way to Heriot Bay. And come prepared to look after yourself in all circumstances.

J.

## **April 27 Itinerary**

**9::30 -11:00** to Walcan on Garry's boat. If too windy, drive to Browns Bay in support vehicle.

**11:00- 11:30** Walcan media event. Hurricane Jack joins flotilla with more crew.

**11:30- 1:30** Visiting Mainstreaan, Marine Harvest, Grieg farms in upper Okisollo ("Wild Salmon Narrows").

**1:30- 2:30** Viewing underwater camera at Cyrus Rocks, lower Okisollo ("Wild Salmon Narrows"). Michelle Nickerson swims lap around farm for media?

**3:00-3:30** Meet Columbia at Surge Narrows (south side of Beazley) with a big show of support from Surge-ites. Transfer Alex and crew from Garry's boat to Columbia.

**3:30- 4:30** On Columbia headed to Heriot Bay.

**4:30** Arrival at Heriot Bay. Sierra Club greeting party, dinner etc.

**7:00** Quadra Community Center.

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