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Dear Secretary,

I am writing to express my objection to the proposed oyster farms and associated foreshore developments in Ballyness Bay, County Donegal. As a woman who deeply values this beautiful area, I am concerned about the potential effects on its wildlife, landscape and surrounding community. Corncrakes are especially close to my heart, and hearing their distinctive call is one of the things I love most about this area. Knowing that these rare birds still have a home here brings me enormous joy, and I would be heartbroken to see their habitat threatened.

I am also concerned about potential disturbance to seals, swans and other local wildlife from oyster trestles, equipment and vehicle movements. Please explain how the proposals' effects on sensitive habitats have been assessed, alongside their potential impact on boating, public access, tourism and local livelihoods.
I urge you to give these concerns full consideration within your responsibilities and support the protection of Ballyness Bay. Please acknowledge this letter, provide a substantive written response and confirm the appropriate route for submitting a formal objection or appeal.

Yours sincerely,
Rosemary Kerrisk McFarline