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Hello there,

I wanted to touch base with you and let you know that I received funding from the University to begin growing seaweed this fall and will be learning to make seeded lines from Mike Stekoll at UAS. I wanted to reach out and let you know that once its up and going, if there are people locally that are interested in getting into seaweed farming I would be more than happy to share information and give tips. Our goal with this project is not to sell the seaweed (we will only have a propagative research permit), but to teach students in the fish tech program and to do some research integrating seaweed into salmon netpens.

That said, I am also working on a Sea Grant proposal and submitted one with SSSC from PSMFC to do things on a little bigger scale and at two sites for comparison. We are very interested in helping people with start ups in the area and also are following the goals of the Mariculture Task Force. I am wondering if you would be willing to provide a letter of support for our work and hope we keep in touch moving forward!

Thanks,
Angie

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