



Dick Jones is the CEO of Blue Ocean Mariculture, currently the only open-ocean finfish aquaculture company in the US. His passion for the ocean started very early in life, leading him to his first full-time job working at his family's seafood processing business on the Boston Fish Pier in 1986. His diverse career includes 14 years leading the seafood operations at Whole Foods Market and HEB Grocery. Over the past 12 years he has been a leader in the non-profit sector; assisting industry, governments and development agencies implement improved practices at fisheries and aquaculture operations globally. Dick is a co-founder of Sea Pact, a group of leading North American seafood companies dedicated to driving stewardship and continuous improvement of social, economic, and environmental responsibility throughout the global seafood supply chain. He is also a founding trustee of ThinkAqua, a non-profit whose mission is to improve the performance of small-scale aquaculture in Africa

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