Environmental groups raise alarm about GMO salmon being licensed to multiple facilities

A bio-tech firm established in the maritime province of Prince Edward Island has created a [genetically modified] salmon that grows bigger, faster than natural salmon in the wild.

Environmental groups say there is a real danger of salmon escaping and breeding with natural salmon, and that the government did not adhere to their own regulations in granting approvals.

Environmentalists appealed an earlier decision in the government's (and company's) favour but recently lost that appeal as well.

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...Environmental groups are also concerned that the government decision allows the technology for GM salmon to be licensed to other facilities across the country and not just at the P.E.I location.

Butler says this increases even further the risk of accidents and escape of GM fish

With this recent legal setback, the groups say they are examining their options to determine if further action is possible through the courts....

If the production of genetically modified salmon cannot be stopped, Living Oceans Society says it will focus on labelling of GM salmon so that consumers will have the choice whether or not to buy it....

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