



**SOY AQUACULTURE**  
A L L I A N C E

# **FISH N' MORE:** **FISH<sup>+</sup>'S GREENER SCORE**

SUSTAINABLE AQUACULTURE  
**SUSTAINABILITY, SECURITY AND ROI**

## PICTURE BUILDING A **SUSTAINABLE, MULTI-RESOURCE** AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION SYSTEM

- Holds down production waste and carbon footprint
- Feeds expanding and healthful market demands
- Strengthens critical domestic food security
- Consistently provides economic return on investment through multiple product channels

**WE CAN CONSTRUCT  
THIS FOOD FUTURE  
NOW**

GLOBAL  
DEMAND FOR  
ALL SEAFOOD  
PROJECTED TO  
**DOUBLE**  
BY 2050

## INTEGRATING, RECIRCULATING, AND PRODUCING

### WHAT IS IT?

- A **Recirculating Aquaculture System (RAS)** is a closed-loop system of constant and controlled climate for fish that filters and reuses water for maximum sustainability.
- **FISH+** centers the highly efficient RAS at its core of seafood production — but also extrapolates to apply elements of the RAS design to the farming of crops, vegetables, hay, and biomass. **It is truly Fish + More, with a sustainability success story.**
- **FISH+** allows not only more efficient aquaculture production, but the value added benefit of additional marketable products, including:



- Fish byproducts for high-value medical & cosmetics



- Fish oil



- Fish meal for off-site aquaculture feed



- Fresh greenhouse vegetables

- Liquid organic fertilizer from fish-processing waste

- Bermudagrass, Triticale, & other livestock feed

- Biomass crops for bioenergy



THE U.S.  
IMPORTS  
**80-90%**  
OF ITS SEAFOOD  
- AND DEMAND  
CONTINUES TO  
GROW

IRASPP GOAL:  
PRODUCE 2  
POUNDS OF FISH  
PER 1 GALLON  
OF WATER USED  
EACH YEAR

**EXTREME H2O  
RECYCLING**  
**SUSTAINABILITY**



FISH+ uses and reuses this resource throughout the entire campus! Well water passes into and through the fish systems, where 3 to 3.5% of the water carrying unused nutrients is discharged to holding reservoirs to be recycled in the production of filtering fish species. More importantly, it is recycled to irrigate a suite of food, feed, and biomass plants, all of which are highly marketable. The water and nutrient mix is used in field crop production, as well as in greenhouse food production.

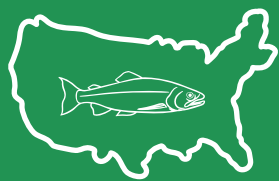
**OFFAL IS KIND OF GREAT  
ROI**



In addition to whole dressed and skinless filets seafood markets, processing plant byproducts such as skin, scales, viscera, heads, fins, and skeletons are further processed. Rather than considered waste, they add significant revenue as high-value medical and cosmetic products, fish meal through ABVRS\* rendering, and liquid organic fertilizer.\*

Agricultural Byproduct Value Recovery System - rendering developed at Auburn University to process fish offal into dry fish oil and meal while producing no noxious smell, dust, or wastewater.

**KEEPING IT LOCAL  
SECURITY**



Increasing domestic production of protein, including seafood, helps safeguard U.S. food supply and security against the market, geopolitical, and climate forces that can interrupt import of these goods from overseas. Production of diverse fish species can replace the 80-90% of seafood imported to satisfy growing U.S. consumer demand.

**RE-HEATING  
SUSTAINABILITY**



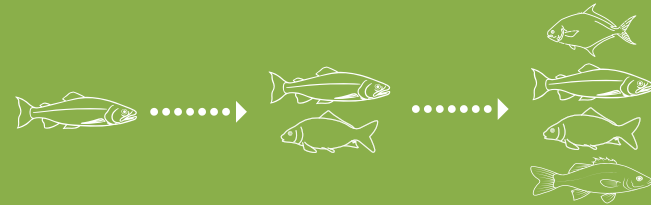
To reduce fossil-fuel energy, the FISH+ boiler plant is optimized to burn biomass “miscanthus and sorghum”, as well as waste wood (bark, chips, sawdust, and more). This thermal process treats the well water (instead of pulling from municipal supply) and heats it to climate-control the fish tanks in colder months. Residual heated effluent passes through greenhouse pipes to warm the atmosphere for vegetable growth.

# MILLING ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY



A dedicated, full-scale feed mill turns soy and feed grains, with additional ingredients, into the correct mix to enable top-quality diets for fish at different life stages. These diets can be tweaked to immediately accommodate fish health or intake. Because the mill is located on-site, cost for the movement of feed to use points is reduced by more than 95%.

# FISHING FOR SUCCESS ROI



Initially designed for tilapia, this system is highly adaptable to multiple fish species:

- Hatchery and nursery to produce up to 2.5 million fingerlings per month
- Approximately 28-30 million pounds of fish will be harvested annually
- Approximately 500,000 pounds per week moved from tanks to on-site processing

# FROM THE FIELD SUSTAINABILITY & ROI

Despite what you might expect, the majority of FISH+ acreage is dedicated to recycling water and unfixed nutrients while saving on wastewater treatment costs in favor of production of bioenergy crops, hay and livestock feeds, and fruits and vegetables for consumer markets.

- Bioenergy crops → on-site boiler plant power
- Hay → sold for livestock use
- Greenhouse veggies & fruits → sold for customer use

**FISH+** wastes almost nothing — recycling water, nutrients, even thermal energy through two or more systems for maximum production at the most economical cost. And, the **FISH+** approach provides careful stewardship of critical environmental ecosystems... while also embracing opportunities, technologies, and rising food trends.



**A WIN-WIN-WIN:**  
SECURE FOOD SYSTEMS  
SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS  
ROI-DRIVEN FOOD SYSTEMS

**READY TO  
INVESTIGATE  
MORE?**

**LET'S SCHEDULE A  
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