## Public perception of catfish aquaculture ponds in Banjar District, South Kalimantan, Indonesia

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**Abstract.** This study aims to analyze the public perception on catfish pond aquaculture in Banjar District, South Kalimantan, Indonesia. The study was conducted from May 2017 to July 2018. Data collected from questionnaires were ordinal data measuring response levels using the Likert scale. Data was collected in the form of: data on aquaculture businesses, and data on public perception of catfish culture in the environment, perceptions of waste from aquaculture, perceptions of water management, and their effects on human welfare. The results showed that the perception of the community of the catfish culture business is mainly positive, because it is beneficial to the community.

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