The sustainability of the global aquaculture community depends on renewable and efficient sources of fish feed, such as U.S. soybeans.

U.S. soybeans increase the affordability and sustainability of the world’s supply of healthy, farm-raised seafood.

Soy can replace from one-third to one-half of the fishmeal in feeds for many farmed species, reducing the pressure on wild fish resources.

Specially formulated soy-based feeds are rich in the proteins and nutrients that grow fish efficiently while producing less waste.

The U.S. soy industry promotes environmentally friendly aquaculture production techniques around the world.

Quality, cost and availability are the key factors that make soybean products such as soybean meal a top protein source for sustainable aquaculture.

Quality

Soybean meal is consistent in quality, and is produced in a range of protein levels to suit the needs of the aquaculture industry.

Soybean meal has the best amino acid complex of all of the plant protein ingredients.

Soybean meal is highly digestible to most cultured fish and shrimp species.

Soy protein can replace animal proteins in feeds for freshwater and marine fish with rapid fish growth and low feed conversion ratios.

Cost

Soybean meal has a significantly lower cost than most animal meals.

Availability

Availability of a high-quality, renewable protein product like soybean meal is critical to the future of the global aquaculture industry.

Soybean production has increased more than tenfold in the last four decades, and will sustain this growth in the coming years.

America’s soybean farmers provide a source of healthy, efficient, renewable, and affordable feed that nourishes the fish that feed families around the world.

Efficient and nutrient-rich soy-based fish feeds help ensure a sustainable aquaculture industry

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