# No Increase in Coal Exports

To: Members May 27, 2016
Washington State Department of Ecology
RE: What Hasn't been considered in the Draft Enviromental Impact Statement (EIS) for Proposed Millennium Bulk Terminals Cowlitz County
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A 76 year old senior living in a low income housing "yards" from RR tracks in downtown Kent.
(There are multipule low income senior housing buildings along RR tracks from Renton through Auburn, why: it's undesireable property)

① In spite of testimonies from numerious doctors, nurses, scientist, ecologists and enviormentalists confirming the danagers of coal dust, CEO of Millennium, a business owern of a Part related business and a Cowlitz County State Representative Lied that coal dust is not harmful and the Facts are made up

② Living next to the R+R track there is always a film of coal dust on my car, patio furniture and inside window sills. More trains will make it worse and unbearable, not to mention, cause many health ill effects.

There are three little houses located next to

my building. Would you, personally, move your family with your children in those houses now or in the event of increased coal trains? [Why not?]
Would you, personally, relocate your aging parents in one of the senior housing buildings along the RR tracks? [Why not?]

(3) There are farming fields right up to the RR tracks; Renton, Kent and Auburn and further. This the source of much of our fresh produce in South King County. Of coal dust covers the grounds here and comes into our buildings, the farm fields are also dusted. Coal dust in the dirt and on produce as it grows above ground. More coal trains, more coal dust for you to eat from your food. Would you continue to eat produce from coal dusted fields? [Why not?]

(4) Coal industry is dying - most all companies are bankrupt. They are trying to squeeze/steal the last dollars out at the expense of health dangers and costs to tax payers. Actual number of jobs very few and for a short period of time. The risks of more coal trains no matter how many jobs ~~are~~ created isn't worth killing people, oh and! Increasing health care costs.

Why would you approve a situation that harms and brings death to people and increase costs to tax payers for a negative?

(5) Millennium promises all sorts of built in safty features, all costly. How does that figure into a dying industry and bankrupt coal companies. How can you force a bankrupt company to pay for promised safty devices?

Even for flush companies promises of safty practices, can't be forced to do so and when they don't pay not even full restitution, but something half way there and on a timely basis to be helpful. If increased shipments of coal is allowed as "accident" will happen that is an event that is known to happen will bring destruction and harm to the most vulnerable and masked with carnage of pollution to remain for centuries to come and lives to be remembered of those parished because of harm from coal dust.

And for those that approve increased coal trains and transport of and those engaged in the profit making aspect of coal transport will be dancing and hear the gold jingle in their pockets.

I submit Exxon Valdez and BPoil and the gulf as an example.

(6) Come and live ~~ee~~ with me and try to have a unerupted anytime of day or night, be sure it's in the summer when windows need to be opened and try for an unerupted nights sleep presently. Oh please come and feel the aggetation and pain from of trains that put in horns or in Kentor and keep them blasting all the way through to the end of Auburn. Increase train traffic and seniors already dealing with aging demenishing hearing, ~~and~~ increased hearing losses will occur.

(7) Blocked intersections, Come see how many intersections will be block, 72 of Kent's citizens, if coal trains increase, homes will burn and people will die, unnecessarily. Fire station and Police Depts are in the middle of Kent and Kent is crossed with RR's every block.

If you personally would not subject yourself, family and friends to these guaranteed to happen horrors why would you make a decision that allow other people to experience them?

There is no positive in granting more Coal trains and Coal exports, except for those few wanting the immoral profits that will create harm death and destruction of the environment.

Those that support increase coal exports will expose who they really are and what they stand for, themselves and greed. Some supporters have already done so, including a Cowlitz County State Representative, shameful!

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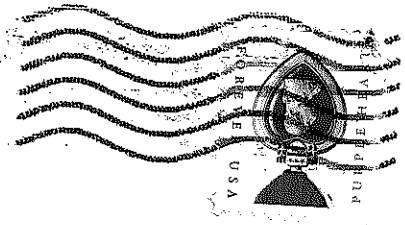


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