

Sept. 17, 2013

To: The Army Corps of Engineers, the Washington DOE, and Cowlitz County
re: Scoping for the proposed coal export terminal in Longview

I'm Don Steinke from Vancouver,

The Army Corps is currently reviewing applications for four large fuel terminals.

1. liquefied natural gas in Warrenton, Oregon;
2. a larger dock for coal and oil, near Clatskanie
3. Coal barging from Boardman, Oregon;
4. and this coal terminal in Longview.

Additionally, the Port of Vancouver is planning a large oil terminal in Vancouver, which may require Corps review.

Because these developments are in the same geographic region, I urge the Corps to consider the cumulative impacts of the combined effects of these projects, as required by NEPA.

Because the Bar at the mouth of the Columbia, is very dangerous, here are some additional scoping questions.

What will be the added safety risk if a coal ship, and an oil tanker, and a Liquefied Natural Gas ship jockey for position to cross the bar?

Should Ambre Energy pay for standby rescue tugs in the event that these ships have an accident?

Please include the recommendations of the river and bar pilots, and the Coast Guard in your report.

Last spring, I believe President Obama ordered all Federal agencies to consider Climate Change when they approve projects. Who persuaded the Army Corps to ignore its Commander in Chief?

Your website says your mission is to reduce risks from disasters.
How are you reducing our risk of disaster, by increasing it?
I urge you to live up to your mission statement.

I urge you to include Climate Change in your scope!

Don Steinke
POB 822393
Vancouver WA 98682
360 892 1589

I
M