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Coal exports are a huge opportunity for the Northwest. The infrastructure coal companies are creating will expand trade of all kinds, from apples to software. This was the conclusion of a Farm Bureau Study published in June - that coal export infrastructure will make it cheaper and faster to export goods of all kinds. At a time of increased competition from both West and East Coast ports, Washington needs to seize these opportunities to expand trade and create thousands of family-wage jobs. Regulators should take these economic considerations into account when designing their scope of review.