

My name is Laurel Felber and I write as a concerned citizen from Bellingham, WA. I am very concerned about the proposed Longview Terminal and the terminal's impact on Marine waters and marine life. I worry about the growing acidification of our northwest waters. I am concerned about accumulations of heavy metals such as cadmium, and mercury which would likely increase from the burning of the coal we ship to China. Please study the impacts the proposed terminal itself but please also study the impacts on our northwest waters from the coal burned in China. When determining the scope of this study, please include the cumulative impacts from all the proposed Terminals in Washington State and Oregon because the combined impacts are likely to be quite significant.

Please study the impacts on marine waters and marine life from shipping. From my research, I can see that the impacts would most likely be significant. Please study impacts to the water from oil spills and leakage. When looking at the Longview Terminal in combination with the other proposed Terminals, I can see that an oil spill due to collisions are quite likely. Please study this. Please study impacts from ballast and bilge waters discharges from the ships, as well as noise pollution and light from the ships and look at their impact on marine mammals and fish, as well as the water quality itself. Please study the likelihood of whales, and manatees being struck by ships. Please study the potential for invasive species to attach themselves to the ships and cause ecological damage to our Northwest waters and marine life and shores.

I ask that the study look at impacts on all marine mammals as well as fish and aquatic life. Once again, I ask you to study the combined impacts of all the proposed terminals in the Northwest. As I see it, it is not realistic to study the impacts of each terminal without looking at the bigger picture. Thank you very much,

Laurel Felber