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I urge that a thorough cumulative study be made of the effects on public safety for communities all along the proposed coal train routes. In our Burlington - Mount Vernon area emergency response vehicles could be cut off from hospitals by coal trains. A recent coal train break down blocked our county's most busy intersection for 45 minutes. The increase rail traffic to the Gateway Pacific Terminal would pose a danger for quick emergency response in towns all along the route. How would community safety be ensured?



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As a long time member of our local food co-op I urge that a thorough cumulative study be made of the economic effects on small neighborhood and community businesses by the rail traffic increases generated by the Gateway Pacific Terminal. Will customers avoid businesses where there is a potential for a long wait at a train crossing as could happen in Mount Vernon and Burlington?



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I urge a thorough cumulative study be made of the effect on the local herring and forage fish beds and the salmon fishery by the construction and operation of the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal and Custer spur. Can their health be ensured? What would be the effects on these beds and this fishery of likely spills such as the recent Tsawwassen coal spill?



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As a grandparent I urge the thorough cumulative study of the clean up costs of the topic site once the Gateway Pacific Terminal closes. Who will take the responsibility and pay for the clean up of this hazardous site? Are we leaving our grandchildren with an unknown giant public debt burden? Will other public services suffer as this clean up is required?



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As a teacher I urge that a thorough cumulative study be made of the effects of diesel fumes and coal dust particulate inhaled by children as well as adults and the elderly living and/or working along the rail lines as rail traffic increases to the Gateway Pacific Terminal. How could healthy air quality for those living/working along the tracks be ensured?



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As a local tax payer I urge a thorough cumulative study be made of the financial and social effects of the building of underpasses or overpasses on the local communities along the coal train routes to the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal. Will communities be split because of their economic/tax base inability to link both sides of the tracks? Will "ghetto"/"wrong-side-of-the-tracks" housing areas emerge if communities cannot fund overpasses or underpasses?

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