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What part of the proposal does your comment relate to?

- Vessel
- Rail
- Industrial site
- Multiple/not listed
Economic impact

Does your comment relate to any of the following topic areas? (check all that apply)

Human environment

- Noise
- Air quality
- Human health
- Traffic or safety
- Other human environment topic
financial

Natural environment

- Wildlife or vegetation
- Marine species, fish or fisheries
- Wetlands or streams
- Water quality
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- Other EIS process topic

Please share your comments below: (comments can also be attached to this form)

Having been a resident of the Skagit Valley for over 40 years, I am concerned about the impact of increased coaltrain traffic on the economic health of downtown businesses.

Please study the effects of having coaltrains blocking access from I-5 to downtown Mt. Vernon many times a day. The town has already invested in a flood-control system and has started redevelopment along the Skagit River to revitalize the area, encourage new businesses, and promote tourism. Access from I-5 is essential.



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As a long-time resident of Skagit County, I value the agricultural legacy of our valley. We enjoy fertile soils that produce a variety of crops that contribute to the local economy. Please study the impact of coal dust on the soil^{the water} and the crops that are produced here. Please study the impact on the livelihood of the farmers who work this land.



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As a 40-year resident of the Skagit Valley, I have long enjoyed access to the San Juan Islands and the recreational opportunities on and around the Puget Sound. The pristine nature of this environment attracts many tourists.

Please study the impact of large coal ships coming through this island-studded marine environment; The impact on recreational sailors and kayakers, + passenger ferries.

Included in this would be the emptying of ballast into the water, prior to loading up with coal.



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As a 40-year resident of Skagit County I am concerned about the potential impact of a large coal terminal on the herring spawning grounds at Cherry Point.

Please study the impact of disturbing this breeding ground on the herring and the rest of the food chain that is dependent on them — salmon and orca.



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As a 40-year resident of the Skagit Valley, I am concerned about the financial impact on local citizens of increased rail traffic through our area. Who bears the cost of the infrastructure needed to accommodate 18 extra trains a day? Please study the real cost incurred by other communities that have had to deal with increased rail traffic — rails, crossings, overpasses, noise.

First name: JUDY

Last name: BAKER

Email: _____

Address: 1504 ALPINE VIEW PL.

City, State, Zip: MT. VERNON WA 98274

Phone: _____

Would you like to be added to the mailing list? Yes No

Note: Any information provided to the agencies will be posted on the website and may be released to a third party as part of the agencies' record for this action. This includes the release of identifiable personal information such as personal name, address, phone number, etc., that is provided in the response.



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