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I ask the EIS to include climate change in the scope of this study. President Obama has personally stated that climate change is now a top priority and one of the U.S. goals is to cut our carbon dioxide emissions. The United States EPA has recognized carbon dioxide as a pollutant which threatens human health and the environment. The Pentagon has declared climate disturbances as a primary threat to our national security. I ask you to look as these goals and determine if this project is not wildly contradictory to these goals of controlling global climate change.

I also request that the EIS read the recent works written on the subject of global warming before studying the impacts this project would contribute to climate change, if permitted. Please read view works of Nobel Prize winner, Al Gore; research scientist and director of the Yale Project on Climate Change, Anthony Leiserowitz; and the writings of environmental journalist and educator Bill McKibben. Would this project cause us to go over the limits we need to cut carbon dioxide levels and cause our planet irreversible climate change? Obviously this is a significant impact with the potential to harm every creature on the planet.

Please study the cumulative and programatic impacts of all proposed and existing coal mines, coal processing plants, and shipping ports in the scope of the EIS. Will the cumulative impacts of these projects significantly add the the already existing and proven planetary climate disturbances occurring now?

Washington State has also declared the goal of cutting carbon dioxide emissions. Is this not project not wildly contradictory to these goals?

Please study climate change as it relates to the G.P.T. proposed terminal. If this coal is burned in Asia what impacts will that have on the United States climate? What impacts will this cause on a global climate scale? Will the G.P.T. project, along with other proposed and existing projects not send us over the limits of fossil fuels which can be burned without irretrievably sending our climate into a tailspin? Scientists are now in agreement that we must act now in order to keep our planet from