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Dear Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Ecology and Whatcom  
County Planning and Development Services,

I am strongly opposed to the construction and operation of a coal export facility at  
Cherry Point, WA, and transporting coal on trains and ships throughout the Pacific  
Northwest.

We would certainly be negatively impacted here in Bellingham by the increased train  
traffic, the coal dust that would spread through this area, the damage to our fisheries  
and the costs we would be forced to bear to improve our railroad infrastructure. More  
important, though, is the damage an increase in coal burning in Asia would bring to all  
of us. The additional CO<sub>2</sub> put into the atmosphere from all that coal being burned is  
dangerous. Already, there are places in China where the pollution from burning coal  
makes it unsafe for people, children especially, to be outside. We do not need to  
participate in the degradation of life in Asia and an increase in greenhouse gasses in  
the atmosphere of the whole world just because there is money to be made by selling  
coal. Let's be responsible citizens of the world and do the right thing, not the financially  
expedient thing.

Respectfully,

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