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I don't want Coal Train to come through
Lummi. My number one reason is ancestral
Burial rights. I want my relatives that have
passed on to stay put. The second reason
I don't want the Coal Train to come through
Lummi is for health reasons. The coal dust
every where is bad for health. The third
reason that I say yes to coal is that
it will affect our fishing rights. over
all this is a bad idea for the Lummi
people and the environment.

Gene
Wyer

To: The Army Corp of Engineers,

My name is Briana Bitonti.
I live on the Lummi Nation. I
am 11 years old. I live with my
Auntie Mabel. I love our fresh
air, and I love going to the
beach.

I am concerned that the
Coal Train will ruin our environment.
We will be very sick from coal dust.
People will probably die from
breathing in the dust in every
day. Our fishermen will have **No**
money because the water will
be polluted.

Please study the impact
on the Coal train and see how
it would ^{or} ruin our environment.

TO: The Army Corp of Engineers.

My name is River Johnson. I live on the Lummi Nation. I enjoy the fresh air because you can enjoy the clean air.

I'm concerned that there will be no animals, please studyth impact on how it could effect our environment it could make people sick too.

Thank you.

TO: Army Corp of Engineers

My name is Vincent. I am 11 years old. I live on the Lummi Reservation. I enjoy the ocean, fish and seals.

I'm concerned that you carrying 648 million tons of coal, your trains will be spreading coal around. It will ruin our environment and damage our trees, that means there not be enough oxygen. Please study the impact coal will have on our Reservation.

Thank you

To. The Army corp engineers,

My name is Jeremiah. I live in Bellingham, WA I am 10 years old I live on Lummi Reservation. I'm concerned with why you people are trying to bring coal trains here on to our land. Every one on this island does not want coal trains or coal around.

Please study the impact what you guys would be doing to our Salmon, air, sea food and beaches.

January 18, 2013

Dear Army Corps of Engineers,

My name is Keshawn Bailey and I am a student at Lummi Nation School. I am writing you because I don't want the coal coming through Cherry Point. It affects our ancient burial grounds and our habitats of fish and our waters. You are also affecting my life because if the coal gets in the water when we pull canoe in the summer, it would not be safe for us to pull. It will pollute the water and the air.

I am concerned because it affects our waters when ballast water is released into our water, and non-native species will be put into our water. There won't be natural predators for them and they will eventually kill off our natural food and fish. There are about 700 different species that get dumped out of the ballast water each time they dump it.

About 48 million tons of coal will go through Cherry Point a year and about 500 tons could fall out each year and find its way to our local water and we drink the local water and that could give us cancer. Don't you think you should study this more? It affects not only our land and water but also our health.

Thank you for reading my letter. It would be a good thing if you stop the coal train and you would make a lot people happy if you did because we don't want coal affecting are ancient burial grounds at Cherry Point. We are holding on to our culture and we value what we have from our ancestors that they left behind for us. That's why I say no to coal.

Sincerely,
Keshawn Bailey

January 17, 2013

Dear Army Corp of Engineers,

I am Trisha Smith, A teenager that wants to protect Lummi Land. I grew up around here and hearing coal is coming through is disappointing. They are taking a risk to affect human bodies that live on this land. Us as kids are planning out our futures, coal dust has many chemicals that affects our body. The coal trains can change anything.

I enjoy growing up here. It is a beautiful place because it has a nice view of Mt. Baker during sunsets also fresh air and clean water. Our cedar trees are stripped to make cedar hats, cedar bracelets, etc. I like to walk and run around in the woods, along the beaches. Soon enough I will be strong enough to run around the reservation. Our beaches are becoming clean because we have Youth Build which is a group of kids that help clean up the reservation. The sea is great to swim in. Our families grew up here and our ancestors are buried here and at Cherry Point.

The coal dust will risk human lives, our businesses, health, and culture. Coal dust has arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury, and hydrocarbons that can cause cancer to all of us. Our fishing businesses will be cut back because of the tanker. They will cut the crab pots, and when there is a fisherman out there, the tanker won't be able to stop for him. Tankers are dangerous to our seas and people that fish and crab.

Please listen to what all of us have to say about the coal train. I don't want a coal train on our land.

Respectfully,

Trisha Smith

To. The Army Corp of Engineers

My name is Trevor. I live on the Lummi Reservation. I enjoy clean beaches and fresh air. I like going to school and being outside at school.

I'm concerned that we are going to lose our beaches and cemeteries. We don't want dirty water and our sea food dying. We don't want our cemeteries getting all dusty by coal or removing our lost people.

Please study the impact on the environment.
Thank you.

To: The Army Corp of Engineers,

My name is Tyrell. I live on the Lummi Reservation. I enjoy my school. I like to play outside with my friends.

I'm concerned that we are going to lose our beaches. I am afraid that it would turn black, and then our fishermen would not get any money. I am afraid that our sea creatures would not have clean water.

Please study the impact it will have on our environment. Thank you.

To: The Army Corp of Engineers,

My name is Patrick Sturgeon, I am 10 years old, I enjoy the beach, Salmon, Clean water, I am in the 5th grade at Linn Union School. I love my land I want to grow up here to live, I want my grand kid to grow up here to with a good land to, So please don't destroy my land and the people, I want the land to be safe for the people and animals, Please study the impact it will have on my land and the salmon.

Thank you

January 18, 2013

Dear Army Corps of Engineers,

My name is Kymberlee Boome. I am writing this letter because I do not want you to build the coal terminal in Cherry Point. I enjoy going fishing with my dad and my uncle, I also enjoy going to Pow wows with my Solomon family. I live in Lummi. I moved back here in 2011. Before that, I was living in Sedro-Woolley; I lived there for 2 years. The coal terminal will have an impact on the water. We go fishing and swimming in the water and canoe pull. I'm concerned about the coal dust getting into the water because we fish there, and we eat fish and coal causes cancer. Our ancestors have been buried there since most ancient times.

Please study the impact of our health because coal dust causes cancer. My uncle passed away because he had cancer. You guys are trying to build a coal terminal in Cherry Point. I don't think that you should build the coal terminal because the dust from the coal terminal will have an impact on the air we breathe. This is the home of the ancient ones; we have to protect it for future generations, and we need to protect the area for fishing. The water is an important shellfish, herring, and salmon fishery area. Mining coal releases dust and gas into the air.

Sincerely,

Kymberlee Boome