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Fossil fuels are, as their name suggests, relics of an era that is rapidly disappearing as the world grows more aware of the existential risks posed by runaway climate change. The Earth has adapted to climate change in the past but it took hundreds of thousands, if not millions of years to do so. The rapidity of change we're experiencing is noticeable in the mere lifetime of one human. It is beyond time to take this seriously. What possible reason could justify adding to the problem by burning millions of tons of coal each year through the complicity of the State of Washington? California is taking a stand to adhere to the Paris Climate Accord. Washington needs to stand up and be counted to do the same. That means we must not facilitate the export/use of fossil fuels of any kind.

Please deny Millenium a permit. You've had years to see the data. Now is the time for taking a principled position.