

## Nikie Walters

Im writing today in opposition of westrock wanting to increase air pollution in Tacoma. Tacoma and the people have suffered enough and with learning that NOTHING IS MEASURED ACCUMULATIVELY by the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, this rule or law MUST be changed before any more pollutants are gaged or approved in our city and region. I see Westrock polluting our air daily. I see westrock pollutants sometimes dissappear but i also mostly see it create cloud coverage and seed the clouds as well. Weather here in Western Washington is mostly overcast and therefore everything Westrock spews into the air stays in the air since the clouds hold it in and down on us. I also wonder if whats going up goes down. This is another issue. Further, just because the laws allow it, doesnt mean its right! Lets not forget slavery was once legal. Its up to the Department of Ecology to keep us safe and healthy in Tacoma so the choice will be yours to make if your going to protect us or advance the toxic illnesses thats forced on us. We are tired of being the dumping grounds for pollutants and toxics here in Tacoma. Will Ecology allow these pollutants to further cause harm to our region and planet? Or will Ecology help protect? Please help us. Theres better ways. I and we would like to see hemp be further explored and used for resources especially since Trump has recently finally allowed it to be used for things like this. Hemp is so universal it can be used for just about everything! This is the direction everyone wants to see the country and would go in. Please DOE, please dont allow Westrock to proceed. Please tighten the regulations and encourage a more sustainable direction for the sake of us all and the future. Tacoma has been poisoned enough and no one can enjoy any waterfront in Tacoma without seeing Westrock and their reminder pouring into the air that we are not safe or protected, yet this is our home. Please help us.

Sincerly and desperately,  
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