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PacWest Silicon Smelter Comment

Questions:

Burning coal and wood to process the silicone, effects on the environment?

Long term effects of Acid Rain from burning coal?

What kind of chemicals would be released into the air?

How would the smelter affect the air quality?

What would be the effect of these chemicals on the environment as well as the people living nearby?

Can the rail system handle the amount of coal shipments that this plant would need?

How many trains a day would be needed to keep this smelter running?

How much water will be used to run the plant?

How will the amount of water used effect Newport's water aquifer?

Will the chemicals from the plant spoil the Newport aquifer?

Will the air chemicals get into the Pend Orielle River?

Where will they be getting all the trees from to run this smelter?

Will they be cutting down all the trees in the area to meet their needs?

How much noise will this plant cause?

What effects of a previous plant had on the environment of past or present smelters else where?

What are the long term effects of a plant like this being near a residential area?

Are they trying to slide into a small community with the idea that they won't be noticed?

After finding out all the negative effects on the smelter and giving it an OK would you move your family to live next to it?

If your response is no, then why do you think we want to live next to it.