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Scoping questions for PacWest Silicon Smelter in Newport, WA

According to PacWest's proposal the site is surrounded by undeveloped land except for the two existing farms/residences just south of the site. What is not mentioned are the schools (11) housing development and inhabitants of the nearby town of Newport and Old Town, ID. How will these be considered in this process?

The proposal also states that the site would be graded to reduce the steepest slope to 2-3 percent. How and where will these materials be shipped to?

There are no existing roads to this site. How will the 250 vehicle trips per day for materials be delivered? Who is responsible financially for establishing a road.

Where will the proposed 170 workers park?

How will this added traffic impact the school bus routes in the school districts impacted—Newport, Priest River, and Sandpoint ?

The proposal stated that water and sewage would be provided by the city of Newport. They say Not. Who and how will these services be provided? Water usage is limited to 5,000 gallons a day and PacWest stated they will need more.

Currently there is no fire district of emergency services for this area. Who and how will these services be provided?

Can the ground support the weight of the proposed buildings and stacks?

The proposal also states that Newport would provide telephone services. Is this documented? Would residents have to pay this services through added charges to the regular bill?

The proposal also states that the coal will be delivered by rail. There is no rail spur road to the site. They also state that there is a 15 percent grade. This will require building about 6 miles of rail spur. Do they have access to purchase the land for this access? Who will pay for it?

Will the smelter sit6e interfere with the BPA transmission lines?

Is there documentation on the services Newport will provide?

Will the emissions from the smelter harm the caribou restoration that is happening in Pend Oreille County?

How does the smelter plan on getting rid of the coal ash from the stacks? They stated that everything left over from the process would be sold. Who will buy this coal ash? How will it be transferred to the seller? What environmental protections will be in place?

Will the PUD rates be increased due to increased costs to deliver power to the smelter?