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Wood and paper products manufacturing is a major part of Idaho's economic base and is the largest basic industry in northern Idaho. That work results into healthy, productive and sustainable forests for the future. What effect, if any, will emissions from the proposed smelter have on trees, surrounding forests and other natural resources here? Will emissions have any effect on the air we breathe? What effect will it have on people, such as loggers, working outdoors? Will the emissions from proposed smelter contribute to unhealthy outdoor air?

Is it possible that increased pollution from a smelter could effect burning restrictions for people using wood heat? Will outdoor burning permits be restricted due to the decrease in air quality from the smelter?

Why is the smelter being built on property adjacent to Idaho State? Will Idaho State get the brunt of emissions from the smelter? Will they experience smog from it? What county or state will benefit from the sale of electricity or the tax income generated by the proposed smelter? What is the anticipated local government and public hospital district and public utility district income from this project?

Sandpoint and Priest Lake Idaho are beautiful and rare outdoor recreational destinations. They have worked hard and invested a lot of money and time to keep it that way. What effect will this project have on people who enjoy being outdoors? Will this project have any effect on our local environment? Will this project has any effect on the air that we breathe ?

What are the environmental and health impacts of smelting operations? What is the history of environmental and health impacts of smelting operations? In the past 7 years has there been any litigation from citizens regarding health concerns from past smelting operations? If so where?

Has there been any input from the Kalispel Tribe to determine cultural significance in regards to the site and the community?

Will the proposed smelter emissions have an effect on those with asthma or compromised breathing?

What concerns do the neighbors have? How will neighbor concerns be addressed? Will the complaints be tracked? If the promised smelter is built and the community and neighbors experience negative outcomes from it what will be done to properly investigate and mitigate the situation? Will complaints be heard? Will it result in ongoing litigation?

Some, if not all, potential neighbors do not want a silicon smelter in their neighborhood. Will PacWest offer to purchase their homes or businesses at fair market value?

Will there be any electrical pollution (ie: emf) generated by the proposed smelter? If so what effects, if any, can that have on workers, neighbor's or the community?

What does science say about smelting? What does history and science say about negative effects or claims of negative effects from pollution?

We experience drought. How will this project improve drought in our local environment? Will the Heat generated from the proposed smelter have any effect on the local area temperatures in the ground or in the air?

