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I have several concerns. I live within 1 mile of the proposed site of the smelter on corner of Hwy 41 and the old Priest river road. I am a long-term resident of the area.

- 1 WATER There is a plan for them to use a lot of watter. For dust control and other reasons. Pulling the from the ground watter in the area for me and other residents in the area. My concerns of this would be depleting the water source. and contamination of our water source. Who would pay for a replacement of my watter source? There is also an aquifer- aquifers nearby connecting to the Spokane area aquifer, Providing water to a vast number of people. Possible contamination should be considered.
- 2- Increasing truck traffic near my home and in our rural area-community. With this is more air polution, noise polution, possible accidents and hazards of spills further putting our watter and public safety at risk.
- 3-Noise polution-from the smelter and things related to the smelter. This in our quiet area, going though out the night!
- 4-Air polution in our area not only Washington state. Is it just coincidence the Plant is right on the state line with prevailing winds going to Idaho and possibly carrying polution even into Montana, Our national and state parks. I think it is deliberate. Complicating matters and who is governing the smelter vs who controls emissions and the permitting of the plant / smelter going in or not! Why not keep this plant smelter in CANADA? This polution could hurt or destroy plant life, contaminate water, Both precious resources, poison wildlife, and more
- 5- detrimental reduction in property value and reduction of quality of life in our area.

Thank you for considering public and residents' concerns. Joel Tobert