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This proposed Smelter is opposed by the majority of residents ranging from Newport, WA up through Cusick, WA and down to Spokane, as well as residents from Oldtown, ID down to CDA and out to Sandpoint and even Western Montana, for all of the following reasons:

- 1) Pollution: Air & Water Quality. Local area wind currents would drive air contaminants throughout all the above regions. Many residents in the area are on Well Water and fear contamination of their water supply. Think Flint, Michigan.
- 2) Disruption of Wildlife, Wildlife Habitats and Migration Patterns
- 3) Short and Long Term Impacts on Wildlife and Land
- 4) Short and Long Term Impacts on Human Health
- 5) Increased Truck Traffic and Noise Pollution in the area especially along Highway 41
- 6) Disruption of Lifestyle and Psychological Impacts on all residents directly impacted by the Smelter primarily those that border the Smelter Site and those that live on or near Highway 41.

If a thorough research process is done on all of these issues, this project should be denied. Please don't skirt the issues with a shallow study, letting politics supercede the rights of our citizens. Thank you