

## Internal Notetaking Template for Stakeholder Public Engagement Period



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**[01:04:10] Heidi Cody:** Hello, my name is Heidi Cody. Let me put my video on. Hello, my name is Heidi Cody, and I live in Vancouver also. According to the Washington Health Disparities Map, my neighborhood is a 9 or 10 for air pollution. I didn't know that when I moved here 11 years ago, and I would have thought twice about moving here had I known. Now, I worry about the impacts of port air quality on my family's health all the time. In my neighborhood, the biggest culprit is heavy traffic from both I-205 and SR14. Vancouver has a lot of neighborhoods in the 8 out of 10 range on the health disparities map.

We also have a lot of neighborhoods that are in the 80th percentile on the environmental justice map, and a few neighborhoods in the 90th percentile on the environmental justice map. On Vancouver's west side, we have the I-5 corridor. In the middle of Vancouver, we have the I-205 corridor. On the south side of Vancouver is the Columbia River, where the Port of Vancouver has heavy industry, and as Catherine mentioned, six bulk fossil fuel projects. Big dirty trucks go in and out of the port all day long. Also, in the Columbia, we have a gas-powered River Road generating plant that is one of Washington's 10 biggest polluters.

We're also adjacent to Portland International Airport. I'm glad that the health disparities map shows data about air quality because a lot of the criteria pollutants in question have serious health consequences that are invisible. That is why air quality monitoring is so important. Vancouver needs to be on your list of overburdened communities. I hope that ecology will provide thorough air quality monitoring down here so we can learn more and start figuring out how to reduce air pollution. I also hope the monitoring information is accessible to the general public, and that there is enforcement, and that there's clarity about who's doing the enforcement. Thank you for holding these hearings and allowing the public to comment.

