

INLAND NORTHWEST ENTERPRISES LLC (Inland LLC)

Our small business is facing significant challenges due to increasing fees and regulations, despite last year being our lowest production year to date. The gravel roads surrounding our operations generate more dust than our activities, as we diligently water to minimize dust output. Our two diesel engines are no different than the ones that operate on the roadways daily, yet we are still being fined. Increasing the fees paid to Department of Ecology does not improve air quality; it merely supports their payroll. With the mounting fees and regulations targeting small businesses, we feel unfairly singled out, as if the state is pushing us toward closure. We are struggling to maintain our operations and barely take home a paycheck. We urgently request some form of relief to help us stay in business.