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In efforts to keep things simple and brief based on the information I've currently received, I think NW Innovation Works (NWIW) should seek a place outside of our country to build their methanol plant.

It seems like a foregone conclusion that the use of methanol is growing worldwide and the fundamental debate is whether we want to accept a temporary financial uptick for our local governments as a tradeoff for increased greenhouse gasses in the state of Washington.

In my opinion, by the time the NWIW executives realize the impact of their damage to the environment barring any potential catastrophic accidents, they'll have passed on into the afterlife and the children of Kalama and the state of Washington as a whole will have to carry the unhealthy burden.

At this point, given the current events that are occurring right now as I write this (west coast fires), it's also foregone conclusion that the effects of global warming is destroying our environment and killing us. Given that recent example, why would Ecology sign up for yet another pollutant that's going to accelerate the process? I know all of you at the Department of Ecology are sitting in your home right now because you can't go outside on your regular summer day walk, knowing the smoke outside will make you sick.

No matter what occurs here in Kalama with this NWIW methanol plant, the world will easily be supplied with enough methanol for what ever purpose. So let us not skew folks into thinking we're doing the world a favor. This is purely about some key NWIW folks looking for a way to get rich(er) at the expense of our safety, health and wellbeing.

Don't allow NWIW to build a methanol plant in Kalama or the state of Washington. We already know how this story will end and no matter how you spin this, it won't end well for us or the defenseless wildlife!