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There are many problems associated with the proposed methanol refinery to be built in Kalama. One is the amount of methane released from the fracking sites in Canada and the United States to transport to the refinery in Kalama. The number of sites where leaking can occur are myriad. Some can be easily seen as at the wells where the methane is extracted to unseen slow leaks in the pipelines on the way to Kalama.

Sight Line, on September 23, 2020, suggests a solution.

"The only way to accurately capture methane leakage like this is to use satellite-based "top-down" methodology, which the Kalama SSEIS dismisses. And adding insult to injury, the SSEIS also uses a global warming potential for methane about 30 percent lower than the figure recommended by the IPCC's most recent report, which has the effect of further downplaying the Kalama project's climate problem."

However, wild fires rage to our south in California, Oregon, and here in Washington, made much worse with the drying from drought caused by climate change. The best solution seems to me to not build this methanol refinery with its attendant pollution from the manufacture of methanol. The pollution is not minuscule: it is expected to be in the millions of tonnes according to the SSEIS. Why should we put our homes in even more danger with exacerbated levels of green house gases from this unnecessary refinery?

Please deny the permit and project and not endanger our homes more.