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Aside from all the substantive impacts to Washington State's climate change program that others describe in depth and I agree with, this project would disrupt an emerging effort in Clark County to support development incorporating high levels of sustainability. This effort started with the proposed new HP 3D printing campus in East Vancouver.

A large group of stakeholders came together to not oppose this massive development, rather asking this development serve as the showcase for Clark County and SW Washington. They suggest clean technology is how we get beyond fossil-fuels. This new direction can create jobs directly, and indirectly through all the green services it would support.

The future of Clark County and SW Washington must be a sustainable path bringing new prosperity and leadership. This project would negate positive collaboration in its infancy.

The Department of Ecology must deny this project not just for all the significant impacts others have described, but also because it is the opposite direction Washington State must travel to meet its climate obligations. It's time for a new chapter in Clark County.