

# Fred Suter

My name is Fred Suter. I live in Vancouver, WA.

We are being told that the Kalama Methanol Refinery will produce over 4.5 million tons of GHG emissions every year and this will make it one of the largest polluters in the State of Washington.

We have sadly been reminded of just one of the consequences of GHG emissions. We have just experienced the worst wildfires in our history and the wildfire season isn't close to being over.

If you look on a map of the United States, the entire west coast appears to be on fire. We have seen over 40 large fires burn across CA, OR, and WA - destroying over 475,000 acres (so far). Thousands of our neighbors have been forced to evacuate from their houses and thousands have returned to the charred remains of what was once their homes. Dozens of towns have been destroyed.

We are told that hotter summers, dryer weather, and longer wildfire seasons contribute to the conditions that cause these monster wildfires. Hotter summers, dryer weather, and longer wildfire seasons come to us as a result of the impact that manmade GHG emissions have on the climate.

There is a connection between our quality of life as residents of the State of Washington and the construction of this methanol refinery. Yet wildfires are considered an extranality in the economic analysis of this methanol refinery.

The wildfires that are presently burning out of control have already caused billions dollars of damage. The economic analysis presented in the EIS doesn't take any of these costs into account. The economic analysis presented in the EIS grossly under-estimates the actual costs of constructing this refinery. The economic analysis does not allow decision makers the opportunity to evaluate the true costs of this refinery.

I urge you to include the costs of ALL GHG emissions in the EIS. It is clear to me that the construction of the Kalama Methanol Refinery runs counter to every future objective that the State of Washington has stated to combat climate change and preserve our quality of life.

Just say NO to fossil fuel expansion.

Sincerely - Fred Suter