

Timothy O'Donnell

My name is Timothy O'Donnell. I'm from Tacoma, Washington. I've spent many years working in and around the Longview Kalama area. I'm an outdoorsman avidly, a hunter and a fisherman. I'm also a construction electrician. I believe in this project, and I believe it needs to go forward. I do represent electricians in the construction industry. As everybody on this call knows, our pensions are under attack. They're vitally under attack and a lot of the people that have already spoken I understand are retired teachers who come to us all the time in support of their pensions.

We're trying to build things and to keep our pensions alive. All of these green jobs in the green economy everybody refers to does not exist. These jobs aren't there, this job is there. We need to build it. We need to keep our pensions strong. We need job replacement. This is a very good job to replace the jobs that we've been losing, especially in the timber area, especially in the Longview Kelso area. I'm wholeheartedly behind this. I thank the state for their commitment in this study. Thank you.