

## Gino Ceravolo

I don't understand how it can be said that adding fossil fuels into the economy will reduce greenhouse gases. Building a new facility with a 40 year life is dooming us with 4 decades of fracking wells polluting people's groundwater with undisclosed toxins, fracking wells actively leaking methane even after they are no longer in use, methane leaks along a pipeline that is laid across seized lands, CO2 release, massive amounts of our local energy being consumed for the profit of a foreign company, and then this methanol continuing to harm the atmosphere after it leaves the United States.

The Washington Department of Ecology is the last potential roadblock to this catastrophic project. How is it that well over 40 years after global warming was confirmed by scientists that our progressive state might allow a new fossil fuel facility on the shores of our Columbia River? My children look to you to give them hope that they are seen, that you understand the science and existential threat of the Climate Crisis, and that you will stand up for their future.

Thank you,  
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