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>> My name is Sharon Rickman, and I live in Vancouver, Washington. Building a new fossil fuel infrastructure refining fracked gas is wrong and will negatively impact all of us and future generations. I lived in Western Pennsylvania and witnessed firsthand the harms of fracking to air and water quality. The oil and gas industry built fracking wells on our local small farms, targeting a vulnerable community with false promises. When the farmers' entire ecosystem was poisoned from hundreds of trucks hauling in water and hauling out toxic wastewater and open-air evaporation ponds, the oil and gas industry responded by proof to us that the air and water was not contaminated before we came here.

This EIS statement is misleading and does not address cumulative upstream impacts of all phases of fracking; including emissions of hundreds of trucks bringing in water, trucking out toxic wastewater, operation of compressor stations, and storing poisonous water in open-air evaporation ponds. The health from this toxic fracking chemicals is hazardous to people, air, animals, and land. We need new sustainable clean energy jobs in Washington. Building a new fossil fuel infrastructure using fracked gas will not provide that.

Please do the right thing and reject this proposal and all permits to stop this dangerous project.