

Camp Kalama RV Park and Campground

Perfect. My name is Charlene de Rocher. I live in Kalama. My family home is the closest year-round residents to this proposed plant. Our family business is the closest non-industrial business we own and operate Camp Kalama RV park and Campground. Our southwest region is known for its beautiful mountains and the serenity of our views. We are known for our rivers, lakes, fishing, boating, and a multitude of outdoor activities.

Our family business is fueled by these outdoor activities, attracting visitors, and return customers. This plant would negatively impact our business. It will pump dangerous pollutants into our air and put our rivers at risk. Waiting for sunsets that will only be obscured by the 10,000-foot plume emitted from this plant. Sitting around the fire waiting for darkness and the stars to come out is going to be difficult because the light from this plant will always be on.

These same lights will impact the natural movement of fish. Currently, things are happening on the Kalama River and hopes to increase fish numbers and improve and provide more habitat. Any spill or leak could destroy this environment. How will they mitigate that? How would they mitigate my home life because this proposed plant is literally in my backyard? If permitted, we will look at towering pillars spewing steam and pollutants 10,000 feet into the sky every day we walk out our front door and every night when we return.

Mount St. Helens is over 8000 feet Mount Hood over 11,000 this plume will compare and height only with these mountains, but will have a devastating impact on us in our family. We will not pick fruit from our orchard or eat food from our gardens. Will our well last and will our water remain safe? Kalama should not be forced to live in the shadow of this monstrosity to risk all the dangers.

Kalama should not be defined by the world's largest methanol plant. It has no place in this community. Please, as your mission states, protect, preserve, and enhance Washington's environment. There is nothing about this plant that will enhance our environment. We need you to help us protect what we as a community have built and help us preserve and create a better cleaner Washington. Thank you.