

Cathy Sampson-Kruse

My name is Cathy Sampson-Kruse. My Waluulapum name is Wey-ow'sux. I'm a tribally enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, 200 miles east of the proposed Kalama facility. I speak only for myself and for my children and grandchildren. We need to remember whose land this is. This is the Chinook, the Clatsop, the Willapa, the Kathlamet, the Grand Ronde, the Siletz, the Quileute Indian nations. We're all rooted in this land. We know the struggle way because we are here [inaudible] Chinook, because of those elders who stood up before us.

I'm here to witness and listen to these testimonies, but I want my voice heard. In 40 years, I'll be a 106 years old. My youngest grandchild who's only five, I pray that she will not see the outcomes that may prevail if this were approved. The second SSEIS is flawed. I'm a board member of the Columbia Riverkeeper and I have colleagues at the Sightline Institute. I hope that you take both of them seriously into account in their testimony. We need to deny the shorelines permit.

The Northwest Innovation Works has lied. We have to understand that the mitigation plan is for Washington, it does not include Oregon, but there is really no wall here between us. There's just a beautiful big river. We know what happened to those mitigation plans when we sacrificed [inaudible] dams and the rest of them that are there. You have a moral--