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I ask that Ecology reject the Methanol refinery and deny the Shorelines permit. Ecology must use science-based analyses to evaluate the true, whole impact of this destructive project, not just its local consequences.

This project would cause millions of tons of greenhouse gas pollution. Permitting it would renege on WA state's climate goals.

Can't we measure this project by what's possible, what's meaningful, and what's needed for a thriving Kalama and sustainable future? Stating that methanol is "better than coal" orients us to past inadequacies, but doesn't help us imagine the future. It might be better to lose an arm than a leg, but that doesn't mean that either is good. Ecology should focus on the real-world, known pollution that would come from the methanol refinery, rather than NWIW's silly 'displacement' argument.

Washington must keep its promise to be a leader in keeping global warming under 2 degrees Celsius. We cannot further entrench ourselves in fossil fuels.

Please reject this project. Please deny the permit.

Thank you.