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To: Council
Subject: MY COMMENTS FOR TUESDAY AGENDA

July 6, 2019

Dear Whatcom County Council members,

Lethal heat waves
Catastrophic hurricanes
Record floods
Disappearing rivers
Rising seas
Not to mention in our own seas, the disappearance of Orca and Salmon.

These are but a few of the events we are seeing on our planet. You, as my elected officials on the Whatcom County Council, have the authority to maintain a balance between the corporate aggression to make these matters worse and keeping our local environment safe and healthy for citizens and local ecologies. While these corporate entities operate under the ruse of creating jobs, their desire for any and all "growth" is for more profit. I know that and so should you. BP is making plenty of small incremental expansions and they are hiring more workers. I want the good jobs at Cherry Point to stay there.

I ask you to support an extension of the Cherry Point moratorium ONCE MORE until it is clear and achieves the stated desire to have no new expanded facilities that might export unrefined fossil fuel.

To strengthen the amendments and create the best safeguards for public health and safety the moratorium should include language that allows for:

1. an **EIS** for any and all expansions via the **SEPA** process,
2. **contingency permits** when appropriate, and
3. language that allows for the true **significance** of the permit request.

This final moratorium extension will provide the necessary time for the comprehensive amendments to be approved.

Thank you for listening. I cannot make the council meeting so this letter will stand in for my comments

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