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**Subject:** FW: OPPOSITION to the County's proposed changes to the Cherry Point Comprehensive Plan and Code.  
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**From:** Neth, Bill E [mailto:Bill.E.Neth@p66.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 12, 2019 7:40 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** OPPOSITION to the County's proposed changes to the Cherry Point Comprehensive Plan and Code.

"My name is Bill Neth and I work at the Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery as a shift supervisor. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in OPPOSITION to the County's proposed changes to the Cherry Point Comprehensive Plan and Code. I oppose these proposed changes because they will prevent permit approvals for future projects at the refinery, including safety and infrastructure upgrades. These upgrades are vital for worker safety and to ensure the refinery remains a viable asset and that I have a job to support my family. Please do not impose these changes that will kill the refining industry in Whatcom County.

I have come from a small town in Alaska where the people and state government thought that the refinery where I worked for 17 years would be up and running forever.

But when the economy turned down and the refinery did shut down the local town lost about 80% of its tax revenue because of the state government actions which then put the burden onto the people in the small town to cover the tax losses.

These kind of laws are just ways to push the business out.

So please don't think it will not happen here it can happen anywhere even a small town in Alaska if the government keeps up the antics it will come back and bite us all in the end.

Thank you for your time.

Thanks,  
Bill Neth  
Operations Supervisor

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