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Dear Whatcom County Commissioners,

We are very concerned about the use of land at Cherry Point for economic development. It needs to be more diverse and sustainable into the future. It must protect critical ecosystems and the aquatic life of the Salish Sea which is already under stress. We also believe we need to actively recognize and make decisions that honor the spiritual and cultural importance of this land to the Lummi Nation. We want good jobs that are not dependent primarily on the transport or use of fossil fuels therefore we oppose the shipping of unrefined fossil fuels from existing or proposed docks at Cherry Point. This is necessary to keep good jobs here.

We strongly support the proposed code amendments in Whatcom County Council Resolution 2019-037. These amendments will help ensure that existing and new land uses at Cherry Point provide economic development which benefits our whole community, while also protecting the ecosystems and aquatic life that sustain our fisheries and tourism industries, and helping move our economy away from dependence on fossil fuels.

Thank you for your work and your concern for our shared home.
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