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To: [PDS Planning Commission](#)
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Dear Planning Commission County,

Dear Members of the Whatcom County Planning Commission:

I am an safety professional that works in the cherry point industrial zone. I grew up in whatcom county and am happy to call this area my home. Three major points keep me in whatcom county; family, access to outdoor adventures, and meaningful work. I am concerned about the County Council's Cherry Point amendments negatively affecting jobs at cherry point. While you have made some thoughtful recommendations for improving these policy changes, there remain significant areas of concern that have gone unaddressed by the Commission that will severely limit or effectively prohibit upgrades, operational improvements at Cherry Point (including renewable fuels projects).

Cherry Point is the foundation of Whatcom County's economy providing 10,000 living wage jobs including mine.

Change is hard but necessary to sustain growth, please make these changes while allowing growth in our industrial zone. We need you to be more diligent than ever to create certainty for Whatcom's citizens and their livelihoods.

Thank you

Sincerely,

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