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My name is Lyle Anderson and I live in Whatcom county between Blaine and Birch Bay.

Thank you for your volunteer work on the Planning Commission and suffering through yet another session on this topic.

I urge you to support the Cherry Point amendments, including the revisions negotiated by RE Sources and the fossil fuel facilities within the Cherry Point Aquatic Reserve.

I see global warming as THE major threat to life on earth. I am also concerned that, locally, the health of the marine and bird life in the Cherry Point area and the larger Salish sea are threatened by the greenhouse gases emitted by fossil fuel production and its myriad resultant uses, from transportation to plastics manufacturing. Additionally, ship traffic and the threat of oil spills and its effects on marine life cannot be discounted.

According to the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions, the top three sources of Greenhouse Gas Emissions are:

- o Carbon Dioxide due to fossil fuel combustion, deforestation and cement production.
- o Methane due to Fossil fuel production, agriculture and landfills.
- o Nitrous Oxide due to Fossil fuel and biomass combustion, fertilizer application and industrial processes.

See a pattern here? All three include fossil fuels, thus all the industries at Cherry Point are contributing toward global warming. And not just a little bit. According to the Department of Ecology the total amount of GHG's emitted in 2018 by BP were 2,140,426 metric tons and 798,061 metric tons by Phillips 66. To be sure, that doesn't include the burning of these fuels by us who go wherever on the roads or in the air. I couldn't see that Petrogas is included, apparently since all the GHG's produced by the burning of LNG's is done elsewhere.

I see the Cherry Point industries as essential until and while we transition to renewable energy sources, and beyond that because we will continue to require other oil-derived materials. As well, they provide jobs that would be threatened if they were to become ports for the transshipment of unrefined fuels.

Finally, requirements for insurance coverage for harm to the public from projects that increase shipment of hazardous materials and requirements for mitigation of GHG increases are important and should remain part of the proposed amendments.

Thanks for your time.