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To: Columbia County Planning

I am opposed to this NEXT refinery project and would ask the planning commission to reject the proposed modification of the railyard,

There has already been a railyard proposal by NEXT that was rejected by the **Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals**. This new proposal is just more of the same, with no further studies or analysis showing the impact this changed location would have on water resources, drainage, irrigation systems, and farms in the area.

Columbia County's #1 priority should be to make sure this project will do no harm to our community and the environment. The NEXT project in my opinion is not worth it's downsides to the environment and price that will be paid when the environment and the community **is** negatively impacted by this railyard.

This railyard and refinery would destroy prime farmland, and would create pollution at many levels.

The noise pollution and traffic issues caused by the trains will affect the quality of living many of us moved to this area for. Please don't take that away from us.

Let us not put making a buck over preserving this beautiful, peaceful area for future generations.

Thank you for your time and public service

Paul Jensen