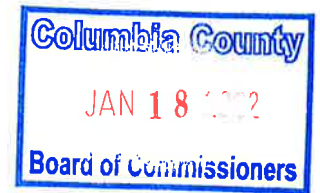


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Hello fellow neighbors,

I am writing to ask you all to say NO to the proposed NEXT energy project here in Clatskanie. I have been in this community off and on for over a decade. I reside at the Zen monastery at the old Quincy-Mayger Elementary school, literally across the road from the proposed project. We already deal with the smell and unsightly view of the current Columbia Pacific Bio Refinery. We have enjoyed being part of the community and enjoy hosting people from the city and across state lines, introducing them to the quiet tranquil environment that Clatskanie offers.

The people involved with this proposed project have left behind waste and abandoned projects at other sites in the past. They were denied project approval in Longview. The residents there did not want them doing business or being neighbors. This is all beside the point that the actual project by NEXT will compromise the environment; toxic off put that can be seen, smelled and will be transported through our rivers and land by train.

Thank you for your time in reading this and considering the heavy impact these projects have on our environments.

Warm regards,  
David Paraska