

## Fwd: Port Westward Diesel Refinery

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Dear Casey,

The proposed Port Westward Diesel Refinery (Next Resources, the same company who left Odessa, WA with a toxic Superfund site to deal with) is a threat to the Columbia River from Clatskanie to the Pacific Ocean.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jguuAar5ToM>

As a kid I spent many of my summers in the beautiful rural Clatskanie area in Oregon. I fished in and around the Columbia River and did farm chores and played with my cousins. We still go to Clatskanie to visit friends on family farms for the harvests. We bring our friends and their kids from the city to learn how to care for animals, milk goats, kayak, see the wildlife, and pay respect to the Native American lands. The Clatskanie Columbia River wetlands need to be protected from an unnecessary and dangerous expansion that could cause a catastrophic environmental threat. The expansion of the Port Westward Industrial site and potential man made or natural accident would not only affect the rich natural environment in and around Clatskanie, it would be catastrophic from Clatskanie downstream to Astoria and then to the Pacific Ocean.

Thank you for your concern.

Jim Lommasson

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