

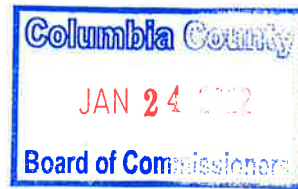
Please reject NEXT

Cathy <cathysilva5@gmail.com>

Mon 1/24/2022 8:33 PM

To: Jacyn Normine <Jacyn.Normine@columbiacountyor.gov>

Cc: Kosho Ault <stories@zendust.org>



Hello Ms Normine,

I am a frequent visitor to the Great Vow Monastery in Clatskanie.

I am writing to advocate rejecting the NEXT proposal for Port Westward Biodiesel facility.

After reviewing the literature put out by various groups for and against this project, I believe strongly this is not the right project to bring jobs to our areas. Nor do I think this is the right company to bring into the Port Westward community. NextEnergy has not earned the trust they are asking for.

I am not convinced that there will be a long term market for biodiesel; technology will evolve quickly and this plant will become obsolete in less than a decade. Then what does the community do with this huge building and its biohazards. It can't be removed and the wetlands reclaimed.

Are the jobs they say they can provide worth the risk?

History is replete with corporations that commit domestic violence on the land and the people by leaving decaying buildings and leaching lethal chemicals. I do not trust that this company is going to operate with concern for the community. They don't want to build their plant here because they saw our community and wanted to help us. They are not looking for an opportunity to contribute to our wellbeing. Their goal is to make a profit for their stockholders only. They see an opportunity to use us and our beautiful land and water to do that. They are not local people who care about Oregonians, our river, and all that is special about our part of the great Pacific Northwest.

Sincerely,

Cathy Silva

Vancouver, WA

971-570-1054

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows