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Submission Text

Please accept the attached comments from members of Power Past Coal. These comments are 306 individual actions taken from 306 individuals, and should be considered as such. Thank you.

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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To open a NEW coal mine in these times when the seas, winds, rain, tornadoes and cyclones are devastating every continent on Earth due to climate change which is due to too much CO2 being emitted is surely a sign of insanity and greed. This must not be allowed. I am suspicious of the Draft EIS for "assuming that there is a domestic coal market for high-sodium Otter Creek coal, and wrongly assuming zero train traffic impacts from construction of a rail line that could transport 18-26 additional coal trains per day".

I live on the Columbia River in The Gorge in Washington state and there is impact right now with the insanity of exporting coal and sludge oil. While my electric utility company has just raised basic rate from \$27.50 to \$40, a 50% raise. Why don't I have solar panels on my roof? Why are these coal people agitating for more death dealing CO2? Why has some timid Federal agency in Montana given the coalies a bogus Draft EIS? Why are you letting this happen? Will you get a forward looking outlook and develop clean energy?

I say: NO MORE COAL TRAINS ON WASHINGTON STATE RAILROADS. Stop the importation of coal to Asia, a huge polluting, out of control country like America. I do not like coal trains and I object to the Surface Transportation Board giving out a dishonest, damaging draft EIS in Montana. Kick coal demons out of Montana, they care not what they do or who they kill with coal pollution. Give this draft EIS the no action alternative.

Thank you,

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Thank you,

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253 Crescent Dr.
Kelso, WA 98626

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Beaverton, OR 97007

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Bernard Walter
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#1703
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206-295-4724

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Thank you,

Jeff Widmer
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Seattle, WA 98144

206-683-6975

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Thank you,

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16387 Calhoun Road
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Thank you,

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Boring, OR 97009

971-295-9420

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Thank you,

Sally Lund
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#305
Burlington, WA 98233

Victoria Rutson
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This railroad's main purpose is for coal transport from a speculative Otter Creek mine. Currently coal markets are crumbling both domestically & around the world.

Otter Creek WOULD be the largest coal mine in the United States. It means 1.3 billion tons of coal, if mined, WILL adversely effect global climates for 55 YEARS !!!

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Most sincerely and knowledgeable,

Judie Champie
ne 102 ave
Vancouver, WA 98662

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Forward, not back.

Thank you,

Chris Arthur MD

Chris Carol Arthur
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I've been in Beijing when the air is black with dust. It's unconscionable to me that with all the evidence of global warming, this is even being considered. A few people will make money at the expense of current and future generations. It's time to stand up for the many instead of the few!

Thank you,

Joan Barbacovi
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WE LIVE ON THE TRACKS THIS COAL WOULD TRAVERSE IF A PROPOSED COAL TERMINAL IS BUILT HERE IN WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON. WE AND OUR FELLOW RESIDENTS HERE, AND ALSO ALONG THE 1,000+ MILES OF TRACK FROM AN OTTER CREEK MINE, WILL SUFFER AIR, WATER AND NOISE POLLUTION FROM TRAINS AND COAL DUST. EMERGENCY VEHICLES MAY ALSO EXPERIENCE CRITICAL DELAYS. MOST SERIOUSLY, HOWEVER, BURNING THIS MUCH COAL WILL TOAST THIS PLANET. THE COAL MARKET IS ALREADY COLLAPSING IN THE U.S., AND CHINA IS WORKING HARD TO REPLACE POLLUTING COAL AS A POWER SOURCE. THEY'RE SMARTER THAN WE ARE. LET'S SMARTEN UP, AND STOP THIS IDIOCY!

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P. Sydney Herbert
Conservation chair Trails Club of Oregon
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Thank you,

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The TRR and coal export only benefit private coal companies and Asian energy users while it hurts those of us who live along the rail line. Just say no the Tongue River Railroad.

Thank you,

Gena DiLabio
3124 Dakota Dr
Mount Vernon, WA 98274

3604288875

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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Thank you,

Stuart R. Shaw
2559 Ojai Ct. NW
Salem, OR 97304

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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Thank you,

David Harrison
585 Washington Street S
Salem, OR 97302

503-585-1243

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Surface Transportation Board

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Nitz
802 Front
Missoula, MT 59802

Victoria Rutson
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Laurie Mudge
6404 NW Cherry St.
Vancouver, WA 98663

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Thank you,

Bill Yake
4032 Green Cove St. NW
Olympia, WA 98502

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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COAL KILLS! That is the bottom line. Extracting, transporting, and combusting coal will destroy life as we know it now. There will be NO FUTURE for my grandchildren's children.

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Thank you,

Beth Brownfield
Fielding Ave
Bellingham, WA 98229

360-738-8899

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

I oppose construction of the Tongue River Railroad, and urge the STB to take the “no action alternative.” Polluting our land to send coal outside of the country so that the combustion pollutants can drift back to the US to dirty our air and add mercury and other pollutants to the sea, mammals and fish is not right.

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Thank you,

Tracy Hendershott
1314 4th Place
Kirkland, WA 98033

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Thank you,

Rhett Lawrence
6445 N Commercial Ave
Portland, OR 97217

503-286-0215

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Thank you,

Irmgard Conley
36 Olga Park Lane
PO Box 88
Olga (Orcas Island_), WA 98279

360-376-4892

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Thank you,

Esther Faber
2716 Williams
Bellingham, WA 98225

360-676-4949

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Thank you,

Linda Martin
PO Box 80368
Portland, OR 97280

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Rebecca Clark
5035 N Depauw St
Portland, OR 97203

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Thank you,

Katherine Anne Stansbury
5519 SW Multnomah Blvd.
Portland, OR 97219

503-936-1977

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Thank you,

Pam Madison
8330 53rd Ave W Apt 102
#104
Mukilteo, WA 98275

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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It is important for the future that most of the remaining fossil fuel stay in the ground. As US weans from coal, so will other countries. We must avoid short term thinking.

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Thank you,

Claire Alexander
4720 N Trenton St, Apt 324
Apt 324
Portland, OR 97203

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Nan Wigmore
540 s e 73 rd Ave.
Pdx, OR 97215

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Thank you,

Linda De Sitter
6510 N. Wilbur Ave.
Portland, OR 97217

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Thank you,

Wendy DiPeso
328 NE 192nd St
Shoreline , WA 98155

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

Greed urges the Railroad & Coal companies. They only exhibit the ugly aspect of human nature, which most of us keep under control

Lois Bancroft
50 Moore Rd
White Salmon, WA 98672

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509-493-1080

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Thank you,

Jane Hadley
1725 30th Ave
Seattle, WA 98122

2063287605

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Grant Fujii
5906 N Depauw
Portland, OR 97203

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Thank you,

Barb Webb
3908 Dogwood Place
Mount Vernon, WA 98274

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Thank you,

Dianne Hurst
4753 Orcas St NE
Lacey, WA 98516

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

The Surface Transportation Board must reject construction of the Tongue River Railroad as the environmental impacts, particularly increased greenhouse gas emissions and associated impacts on climate change are not mitagatable with currently available technologies.

In order to avoid increasingly catastrophic extreme weather events, the hundreds of climate scientists that have contributed to the IPCC's latest AR V report are clear. We cannot continue to bring new sources of greenhouse gas emissions online, such as those that would result from construction of The railroad and development of the Otter Creek Mine coal deposits.

The DEIS analysis is inaccurate and incomplete. It relies on inaccurate assumptions and does not include a complete life cycle analysis of all of the emissions from transportation, development, and combustion. Furthermore, the infrastructure, proposed coal export terminals in Oregon and Washington appear increasingly unlikely to be permitted because of the environmental impacts of those projects.

While I realize that the coal industry continues to try to find ways to justify additional avenues in a dying market to sell their product, the environmental impacts locally, regionally, and globally cannot be mitigated and it would be morally, socially, and environmentally irresponsible for the STB to approve this proposed railroad. I strongly encourage the STB to approve the no action alternative.

Thank you,

Scott Luchessa
4013 32nd Ave W
Seattle, WA 98199

2062848052

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

The no action alternative is the correct response for the Tongue River Railroad.

It is worse than senseless – it is actively destructive – to develop facilities for the Otter Creek mine which represents 1.3 billion tons of coal that, if mined, would contribute to climate change for the next 55 years.

The draft EIS pays insufficient attention to the profound impacts that this coal will have on climate issues. And the draft EIS wrongly assumes zero train traffic impacts from construction of a rail line that could transport 18-26 additional coal trains per day.

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Sending the coal to China to be burned is the epitome of heedless corporate greed. The TRR and coal export only benefit private coal companies and Asian energy users while it exacerbates climate problems and hurts those who live along the rail line. Just say no the Tongue River Railroad.

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Thank you,

carl ullman
5162 west shore road
anacortes, WA 98221

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Thank you,

Rick Petersen
670 NW Lincoln St.
White Salmon, WA 98672

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edmonds, WA 98026

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Washougal, WA 98671

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Thank you,

Brenda Michaels
15617 258th Pl. SE
Issaquah
Issaquah, WA 98027

425-417-8995

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Deer park, WA 99006

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Joseph Raap, Au.D.
605 NE 5th Ave
Camas, WA 98607

360 835 3595

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Vancouver, WA 98685

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Portland , OR 97202

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1411 8th St
anacortes, WA 98221

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Mary Carr
119 E. 17th Ave.
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509-747-3264

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Maple Valley, WA 98038

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Thank you,

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765 Mesa Verde Dr
Cave Junction, OR 97523

541-592-4444

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Thank you,

Mary Neuendorf
1933 Rockland Drive NW
Salem, OR 97304

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Nicolette OConnor
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Vancouver, WA 98661

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North Bend, WA 98045

302-388-4015

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Schneider Matt
6739 36th sw
Settle, WA 98126

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Thank you,

gary t pederson
410 fawk ave se
salem, OR 97302

503-588-1202

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Cathy Barich
3506 - 108th Pl. NE, #1
Bellevue, WA 98004

425-828-0391

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apt 1
Tacoma, WA 98405

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Thank you,

Alethea Putnam
11550 35th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98125

206-264-5578

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Elena Rumiantseva
Paralegal
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Thank you,

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Why not grow more green jobs?

Thank you,

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Mukilteo, WA 98275

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55854 Hazen Rd
Warren, OR 97053

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Thank you,

Raymond DeBuse
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Olympia, WA 98506

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Thank you,

Amy Houchen
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Portland, OR 97239

503 245-3494

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Thank you,

William Whitaker
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La Grande, OR 97850

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Please stop the beautiful and historic Columbia River Gorge from becoming a dirty fossil fuel EXPORT corridor! The dust pollutes our beautiful rivers and poisons us!

Thank you,

jonnell covault
14114 SE Redwood Ave
Portland, OR 97267

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Yonit Yogev
868 Henry Lane
Camano Island, WA 98282

360-387-6743

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Gladstone, OR 97027

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Thank you,

Janice Castle
16181 Parelus Circle
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

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Talent, OR 97540

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Luke Anavi
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Thank you,

Katherine Nelson
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Kent, WA 98031

206-941-3917

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Thank you,

Christina Gillman
2901 S Adams St
Seattle, WA 98108

Victoria Rutson
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Sandra Randall
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cliff swonger
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milw., OR 97222

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360-223-0030

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Flagstaff, AZ 86001

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Thank you,

Holiday Matchett
6669 West Shore Drive
Anacortes, WA 98221

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

I am writing you personally in order to urge you as forcefully as I can to use your fullest authority to oppose the construction of the proposed Tongue River Railroad, and in addition to urgently ask that the Surface Transportation Board take the "no action alternative."

This mine would produce 2.5 billion tons of _global warming pollution_ during its life, at a time when authoritative scientific studies tell us that adding that amount of carbon to the atmosphere would almost certainly mean the beginning of irreversible global warming.

Irreversible global warming means winters without snow, summers with no rain, no water for stock or crops, and increasingly violent storms and flooding. Even if this coal produced a few hundred temporary jobs, it is not worth the loss of Montana's future.

The railroad proposes to haul coal from the now only "speculative" Otter Creek mine at a time when coal markets are crumbling both domestically and around the world. Look up coal futures online and see for yourself -- this is a terrible investment. The Otter Creek mine is clearly a connected impact of the railroad's construction, and so Montana faces wasting funds on rail resources that may never be used.

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Ms. Rutson, the smart and honest thing to do is to say NO to the Tongue River Railroad immediately.

Thank you from a resident of BNSF's Blast Zone just north of Seattle.

Sigrid Asmus
4009 24 Ave W

Seattle, WA 98199

206-283-1382

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

I oppose construction of the Tongue River Railroad, and urge the STB to take the "no action alternative."

I live in Camas, WA. These coal trains now pass my town daily, uncovered, spewing one pound of coal dust per mile. I'm breathing this stuff, and will suffer ill health, as will the rest of the world as the Asian countries who will burn it while coal mining companies, and coal sellers get rich and hire a few people (a few jobs) to carry out the destruction of my town, my area, my world.

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Thank you,

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100 VERA LANE
LOPEZ ISLAND, WA 98261

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Seattle, WA 98106

206 767 6854

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Thank you,

Sally & Dick Stapp-Brigham
HOyt
Everett, WA 98201

425-501-1435

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206-229-8737

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Portland, OR 97213

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Thank you,

Libby Hazen
116 Bayside Place
Bellingham, WA 98225

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P.O. Box 412
Silver Creek, WA 98585

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Mary Bonnier
5790 Old Mill RD NE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

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2011 Crestview Dr
Ashland, OR 97520

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Vancouver
Vancouver, WA 98666

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tumwater, WA 98501

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5021 134th PI SE
Snohomish, WA 98296

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6053 26th Ave NE
Seattle , WA 98115

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Seattle, WA 98199

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674 NE Franklin Avenue
Street Address 2
Chehalis, WA 98532

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Thank you,

Kristin Lee
5803 SW Garden Home Rd
Portland, OR 97219

503-227-6460

Victoria Rutson
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My community is one of many that lie between the proposed railroad and Pacific Northwest export terminals. We would suffer the consequences of dramatically increased coal train traffic, while somebody dissociated from our community rakes in the profits.

Please say NO the Tongue River Railroad.

Thank you,

Kamori Cattadoris
2592 Conklin Meadows Rd
Newport, WA 99156

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U-Place, WA 98466

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Ed Hamilton
6931 Deer Valley rd.
Newport, WA 99156

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Elizabeth Cunningham
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Thank you,

Heather Cunningham
15528 1st ave nw
shoreline, WA 98177

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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Sandpoint, ID 83864

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Meridian, ID 83642

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Nicole Cunningham
Summit dr
Bham, WA 98229

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Thank you,

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12034 78th Ave S
Seattle, WA 98178

206-772-0320

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Thank you,

Kathleen LeTellier
1320 N Murray Ln
Liberty Lake, MT 99019

509-979-0909

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Partly my objection is that the coal dust is toxic to environment, it is uncovered, and gets into the air, the rivers, wildlife, their lungs, as well as human lungs.

Thank you,

carol egan
4204 n.e. morrow Rd.
vancouver, WA 98682

Victoria Rutson
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Thank you,

Greg Roth
3201 w. commodore way #202
Seattle, WA 98199

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Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

I oppose construction of the Tongue River Railroad, and urge the STB to take the "no action alternative." I live on the proposed rail route and believe that mining Otter Creek would be devastating to our environment.

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My community of Hope Idaho and many others would suffer the consequences of dramatically increased coal train traffic, including increased traffic congestion, safety hazards, and air pollution from both diesel exhaust and fugitive coal dust.

We all would suffer from a rising CO2 level. The Asian coal pollution reaches the Northwest.

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Thank you,

Judy Butler
140 Monarch View Lane
Hope, ID 83836

Victoria Rutson
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Thank you,

Anais Tuepker
1414 SE Lafayette St
Portland, OR 97202

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Thank you,

Ray Engle
4650 B Village Dr.
Bellingham, WA 98226

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Thank you,

Sue Toy
4639 Sand Rd
Bellingham, WA 98226

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Please just say no the Tongue River Railroad.

Thank you,

Karen Steen
1200 Lincoln Street
Bellingham, WA 98229

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Seattle, WA 98133

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Vernonia, OR 97064

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Thank you,

Ellen Murphy
901 N. Forest #147
#147
Bellingham, WA 98225

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Thank you,

kris fowler
1556 Pleasants Road
Wendell, NC 27591

Victoria Rutson
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Thank you,

Terry Eaton
10824 NE 172nd Ave
Brush Prairie, WA 98606

(360)896-4929

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Temperatures worldwide are getting hotter and hotter. In addition, there are droughts worldwide, including the Pacific Coast from Panama to Canada. Tongue River Railroad should not be allowed to contribute to this crisis: NO PERMIT.

Thank you,

Bobbee Murr
31 NW 22nd Place
#3
Portland, OR 97210

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Fraser Rasmussen
45 Eagle Crest Dr.
Apt 300
Lake Oswego, OR 97035

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Scott Trinkle
SW Cardinell Dr
Portland, OR 97201

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John Munson
2521 SE Ankeny St.
Portland, OR 97214

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Thank you,

Jason Monk
Powell Blvd
40th Ave
Portland, OR 97202

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Tim Norgren
PO BOX 297
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740 817 3101

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Anacortes, WA 98221

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Sarah Conover
450 w 16th ave
Spokane, WA 99203

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Malo, WA 99150

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Deer park, WA 99006

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Lindell Haggin
15418 N. Little Spokane Dr.
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Thank you,

Bill Irving
1906 W. James Crowe Drive
Hayden, ID 83835

208-818-5772

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

I am pregnant with my second child who is due in September this year. I also have a 2.5 year old. I hope both of my children grow up in a world that is clean and healthy for them and for their society. Because I believe their future is linked with the health of our planet I oppose construction of the Tongue River Railroad, and urge the STB to take the "no action alternative."

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My community in Spokane will suffer the consequences of dramatically increased coal train traffic, including slashed property values, increased traffic congestion, safety hazards, and air pollution from both diesel exhaust and fugitive coal dust.

The TRR and coal export only benefit private coal companies and foreign energy users while it hurts those of us who live along the rail line including my two very young children. Please say no to the Tongue River Railroad.

Thank you,
Kathryn Sheehan

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25 W. Main St. Ste. 210
Spokane, WA 99203

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Nancy Enz Lill
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Thank you,

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1218 W. 21st Ave
Spokane, WA 99203

Victoria Rutson
Surface Transportation Board

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Chattaroy, WA 99003

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As a citizen of the Pacific Northwest, I will be directly impacted by this proposed rail line. As a citizen of this country, I will be directly impacted by this environmentally un-sound decision. As a human being on this planet, myself and my future generations will be impacted by this short-sighted plan.

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Thank you,

Ingrid Hannan

Ingrid Hannan
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Spokane, WA 99206

Victoria Rutson
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Please 'take no action' on the proposed Otter Creek mine.

We don't have enough information on the environmental impact, and frankly, with three rail road lines running past my home, blocking me in on a regular basis, I think we need a non-speculative solution. The American Dream involves a lot more than just money for some.

Thank you.

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