



(This sign is in the window of my local QFC Market in Sellwood, SE Portland. If QFC realizes the dangers of propane, how can the Portland Planning and Sustainability Council, or any other city agency, amend existing permits to allow this project to move forward?)

I am opposed to the Pembina project for the Port of Portland and I strongly request that the Planning and Sustainability Council **not** amend the environmental zones at Terminal 6 to allow hazardous propane to be transported through the environmental zones by pipeline, something that is not allowed under the current code. Please protect the safety of the public and do not allow a foreign company and their profits to take precedence over what is your first responsibility—to protect the safety of the people living here!

I live in southeast Portland and moved to this city because of its reputation for “green” values and sustainability. I believe the Pembina project is counter to the purported values of our city. I am so proud that Portland was recently awarded the title of “climate champion” by the White House. I believe that allowing Pembina Pipeline Corporation, a corporation with roots in the Canadian tar sands, to bring explosive liquid propane by rail to Portland for export from our ports on the Columbia River is not the action that a “climate champion” would undertake. Let us not allow our great city to become a “climate hypocrite”.

I have great concerns about the climate impacts of this project. The daily climate impact of the propane proposed to be handled by this project will produce, once it is burned, the equivalent to the daily emissions from 760,000

passenger vehicles or 1.5 times the number of such vehicles registered in Multnomah County in 2013.

Also, according to the City's analysis of the proposed facility, the Pembina Propane facility would be one of the largest electricity users in Portland, requiring 8,000 MWh of electricity per month, which "would result in about 20,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions per year — about 0.7% of Portland's actual emissions." In addition, the export of 46–69 million gallons of propane per month will "represent 3 to 5 million metric tons of CO₂ released into the atmosphere annually, which is about 0.01% of global CO₂ emissions." The propane shipped through this single facility will have a measurable impact on both local and global CO₂ emissions.

The proposed facility will occur in the midst of some of Portland's most valuable environmental assets, with Smith and Bybee Lakes just to the south and the Columbia River and West Hayden Island immediately to the north. Any decision by the City of Portland to amend its environmental zones to allow this facility should take into consideration the potential environmental impacts of an explosion.

This project will provide a very small number of jobs. Pembina indicates that it will hire 35–40 people to work on this 40-acre site. For a while now, the City and Port have been attempting to justify converting irreplaceable natural areas to industrial use to generate job growth. It does not appear justifiable, with this goal and as a "climate champion" to sacrifice one of the last large, vacant riverfront industrial parcels for a project that will generate a nominal number of jobs and will irreversibly sacrifice important environmental areas.

I was attracted to Portland for its reputation as an environmentally aware, "green" and sustainable city. I have lived in this beautiful city for over six years. My son, daughter-in-law and my six and four year old granddaughters live in Portland as well. I wish to protect and preserve our city (as well as the sustainability of the earth). Please do not weaken regulations for the benefit of corporate wealth.

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