

## **David Red Thunder to PSC (4.7.15): Pembina Propane Terminal**

I am David Douglas Red Thunder. For many years, I have worked to carefully research and accurately report the facts to Portland's decision-makers about the wildlife conditions and overall value of West Hayden Island to the livability of Portland-Vancouver. Personally, it is my Indian sanctuary and place of worship where the spirits teach their righteous ways for my journey through this life.

During the last six months, it has become abundantly clear to me, from reports of local and national scientists, that this Pembina propane terminal will pose a great threat to West Hayden Island from leaked propane. What's more, it will be an explosive threat to all of Terminals 6, 5, 4, River Gate, Downtown Vancouver, and most of North Portland, as well as my beloved West Hayden Island.

This is not a unique or unstudied set of conditions and likely consequences. Not only are there dozens of reports of devastating explosions from poorly designed rail tank cars and compromised gas facilities that are on the increase, but also numerous other communities similar to Portland have already rejected local gas terminal proposals because of serious unaddressed safety concerns. This Pembina proposal in Portland is no different!

My City of Portland and its invaluable wildlife heritage and green reputation must not now become known for its huge propane processing and transfer terminal, exporting gas overseas for plastics manufacture, and further degrading the world's climate, sustainability, and quality of life. Nor should Portland be remembered around the world as the site of one the most devastating explosions ever known to be caused by a government's approving the siting of this incredibly dangerous facility so near to such highly valued environmental, economic, infrastructural, and residential assets.

Their question certainly will be, "What were they thinking?!"

Thank you.

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