

Coal Companies Target the Northwest for Massive Export Terminals



The biggest coal companies on Earth want to ship a hundred million tons a year or more through Northwest ports to Asia – spewing toxic coal dust, clogging our railroads and ports, and stoking the climate crisis all the way. These are the same companies who have blocked the path to a clean energy future with a decades-long propaganda campaign to deny the science of global warming and block federal and international climate policy. This coal from the giant deposits in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming and Montana **is the same coal we've been scrubbing out of our power system by phasing out coal plants and building a clean-energy economy in Washington and Oregon!**

Here's how you can help: Permits for coal export terminals are in the works, and the coal industry is buying up support. We need to build our strength and make it clear to the Northwest's elected leaders that this isn't just a permit for a dock – it's a direct threat to our communities and our future, and we won't have it.

- **Call Governor Gregoire** – 360.902.4111 and tell her to ensure that Washington says **NO to coal export and YES to a clean-energy future.**
- **Call WA Public Lands Commissioner Goldmark** at 360.902.1004 and tell him **“Don't use Washington's public waters for coal export.”**
- Sign the **No Coal Export petition** that will go to Governors Gregoire, Kitzhaber and Brown as well as other key Northwest leaders. **Go to www.climatesolutions.org/powerpastcoal** to sign.

As permitting begins and key state officials form their positions, will you send our elected officials a clear message in opposition to coal export?

- ***We are winning*** a clean energy revolution in the Northwest step by step. **But we're NOT doing it** just to have the coal we don't burn come barreling down the tracks and get shipped overseas where it will power the Asian industrial machine and continue to increase the CO² emissions we are working so hard to reduce.
- ***We are investing*** in clean, efficient energy and transportation systems. **But we're NOT doing it** just to become a middleman in the world's biggest coal trafficking scheme and a resource colony for Asia.
- ***We are taking responsibility*** for building a brighter future – in port communities, in all communities. **But we will NOT** accept the excuse that “somebody's going to sell the coal to Asia, so we might as well have the jobs.” This coal traffic will feed and accelerate catastrophic climate disruption.
- ***We WILL*** keep building the clean energy economy and pioneering a new, sustainable path to economic security – in port communities, in all communities, everywhere.

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