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Good Evening... Jayne Freudenberger Bellingham

The UN just released a study that a climate disaster is happening every day—just this week we have read about 114 degree heat in Paris, a blue green algae that has closed all the beaches in Mississippi—and a flood ravaged Midwest where farmers cannot even plant their crops. Its scary.

But there is some good news....the famed futurist Tony Seba has forecast that electric cars will be as cheap as gasoline cars in 3 years just as General Motors closed their Lordstown Ohio plant as part of the company's restructuring to build electric and driverless vehicles.

I-5 is soon to become an electric highway with convenient charging stations from the border with Canada to the border with Mexico. Bellingham just got 2 of those stations at Whole Foods. Did you know that gas and diesel vehicles account for nearly 1/2 of the CO2 emissions in Whatcom County?

What does this have to do with Cherry Point? The clean energy future is nearer than we think and China—the place everyone is counting on to hunger for our oil is moving faster than we are in their development of clean energy. Forbes has announced that that China is in the leading position in renewable energy output as well as related tech such as electric cars

So Cherry Point....

We have testified over and over that there are better uses for this valuable property than shipping first coal that was in the last proposal and now oil to a market that must cease if we are to

save our planet. Our orcas did not even travel in the Salish Sea this year because we have already decimated their prey and our fishing industry got their seasons cut short. This is a not a good trade off... yes there are good jobs here at the refineries and the refineries have been supportive of our communities. But the orcas are the canary in the coal mine.....right now it is the salmon that are unsustainable because of global warming.....how soon will it be us? We cannot sustain life on this planet if we continue to burn fossil fuels.

So yes to the moratorium. And an even bigger yes to stricter restrictions on shipping any fuel out of this deep water port. It is time for the oil and gas industry to use their incredible profits to transition jobs into a new clean energy economy that works for everyone. I know this will be hard—made even harder by the oil companies persistent lying about the effects of burning fossil fuels. But we know the truth now. It is time to save the planet.

Thank You

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