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This letter is to oppose the Goldeneye BESS warehouse project being reviewed, for Minkler Road in Sedro Woolley.

My objection are due to the following concerns, and unanswered critical topics at this time.

The Environmental impact of this facility being located on property with a salmon creek that drains into the Skagit River. The overall impact of irreparable damage to local agricultural farmland. The noise pollution that will be produced by 14 acres of industrial fans running at maximum capacity 24/7, in an otherwise peaceful and quiet farmland. With no noise pollution from industry.

The Human impact of this project in case of emergency (fire, flood, earthquake) if an evacuation is required no emergency plan is currently in place. Our local emergency services only having 2 full time fire fighters in Dist 8 and not having adequate staffing or equipment for fighting a fire of this nature. The impact to human life, well water and livestock if a fire were to occur in this area would be catastrophic. The proximity to residential homes, schools, churches and organic farmlands all within a 1 mile radius is an unreasonably risky location for a facility of this type.

This specific location provides no additional benefits to the state or citizens verses building this structure in an industrial or commercial area. Grays Harbor and Chehalis BESS sites are located in industrial areas. The only benefit received from this location, in an environmentally critical area and on historic agricultural farmlands, is a lower building cost and higher profit margin for the privately owned for profit company.

Therefore, as a citizen of this community who will be burdened with additional taxes to support emergency services, and whose life could be forever impacted from this facility, I strongly oppose the permitting of this site for Goldeneye BESS.

Sincerely,

Mary Fraser
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