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And for 4 years i cannot find anyone who disagrees with having it this way.

On Friday, April 12, 2024, 11:28:54 AM PDT, kyle bracken <kylebracken@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hi my public comment is that i cannot tell you the potential impacts of this project in terms of supply and demand or environmental impact because the forestry service and the current utilities would know that as it currently is presented as the problem that Wallula is trying to solve. More data is needed. But 60MW is a very good start in that information.

But what i can comment on is what not to do. California where i live has a big problem. We started solar farms and did not make enough of them. People want the nuclear power plant turned off. There is no way to do that and there is no way to fill the energy gap. I know that W.A. has nuclear but they take so long to build more. CA has 1 left for about 10 years. The current president put a moratorium on building new gas power plants which california has a lot of natural gas. California has a lot of sunny areas too and Washington does not. California gets coal power to from out of state. Please dont do what california has done. We could have built more solar plants and we still can. But i dont think that there is any money in this state to do that. The big utilities were hit with law suit after law suit because private residences were not vigilant in reporting problems to the company and a lot of accidental deaths ocured as well as crimes. We never hear about this problem in WA. I only hear about the remarkable job that was done cleaning up Hanaford. California has a huge forrest fire and earthquake problem that sometimes threaten the utilities almost daily. I dont notice this about Washington state. If W.A. can get away with another solar power farm in a state thats that cloudy then all the more power to you. But dont be like california where all people do all day long is try to fill the energy gap with drugs and crime to pay for the states problems. There is nothing wrong with solar power even in 1970s its just the competition with other companies and the politics. My state is compared to japan and yes it is very similar. The economic problems are the same that prevent it from getting better in the energy sector and the economy of the government. We even had foreign governments spying on our last remaining power plant then going into court and trying to shut it down by preventing a 1.1 billion dollar recertification process. The utilities here are currently stating that they are updating their infrastructure. Good. We are willing to pay more for that. I hope that Washington

can reach a similar understanding about that and what not to do. I dont know how much the tech industry has influence over this problem and one would think that California being the center of silicone valley would be more concerned about the energy demand but they dont seem to be.