

## **Liquefied Natural Gas in Oregon: An Alert**

Did you know that energy speculators from Texas, New York and California are trying to construct a large Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) port in the Columbia River Estuary and build 220 miles of high pressure gas pipeline through the Willamette Valley and across the Cascade Mountains? And that Governor Kulongoski has said he is “open” to the proposal moving forward?

The proposed LNG projects would use supertankers to ferry natural gas from countries such as Russia, Iran and Peru in supercooled liquid form. At the processing plant, the imported LNG would be offloaded, revaporized and as much as 1.5 billion cubic feet per day would be pumped in a new pipeline across six Oregon counties to a point on the main transmission line serving California. This project threatens the environmental health and safety of Columbia River and Willamette Valley residents, as well as habitat for all species in the area.

There is no demonstrated need in Oregon for this new gas, which has up to 40% greater carbon impact than domestic natural gas. But California's Lieutenant Governor has openly said California doesn't need to approve any LNG terminals because if they need the gas they can just get it from Oregon. Does Oregon want to be known as host to the industries too risky for California? And what can you do about it?

### **Take Action: Three ways to get involved**

**1) Please contact Governor Kulongoski's** office today and ask him to take a stand against the LNG terminals and pipelines proposed for the Columbia River and Willamette Valley.

Ask Governor Kulongoski to have Oregon Dept. of Energy prepare a Needs Analysis to consider if there is even a "need" for more gas in Oregon before any state agencies issue permits for the proposed LNG plants. Remind him of his promises to fight global warming and to focus on sustainable energy!

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**2) Rally at NW Natural Gas Corporate Headquarters**  
Wednesday, December 12, Noon – 1pm  
220 NW Second Ave. Portland (2 blocks north of Burnside)

Please join Willamette Riverkeeper, Columbia Riverkeeper, Columbia River Clean Energy Coalition, Cascadia Rising, Citizens Against the Pipeline, Landowners and Citizens for Safe Communities, and

Wahkiakum Friends of the River at a rally to fight global warming, protect the Columbia River estuary and save Willamette Valley farms!

Northwest Natural is partnering with TransCanada Corp. to push forward the “Palomar Project” a 220 mile pipeline from the Columbia River, through the Willamette Valley and across the Cascades. This pipeline would cross over 1000 creeks, streams and rivers, cut swaths of ancient forest, and destroy Willamette Valley farms.

Join Oregon farmers, fisherman and conservation allies and help us send the message that Oregonians say NO to LNG terminals and their high-impact pipelines across Oregon!

**3) Come to an informational session** about LNG with Dan Serres from Columbia Riverkeeper January 29 at 7 pm, Willamette Riverkeeper Office, 1515 SE Water Ave, Suite 102

Join WRK as we host Dan Serres to present an overview about the proposed LNG terminals and pipelines in Oregon, discuss their social and environmental impacts in the Willamette Valley and beyond, and explain the ways that members of the public can take action to protect the Oregon we love from the LNG threat. Please invite your friends and family to learn more about this important and timely issue.