

Dear Members of the City of Coos Bay City Council,

Pembina has not met the requirements in order to be issued a permit by the City of Coos Bay. The proposed dredging does not comply with the Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan, City of Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan, and Statewide Planning Goal 16 Estuarine Resources. The Lane Council of Governments provided a thorough analysis with a recommendation to deny the application yet the Planning Commission approved forwarding the application for council review.

Specifically, I am concerned about the following impacts:

economic development: It is important to focus on creative ideas that are in harmony with the natural ecosystem. We must protect the natural environment.

In regard to educational needs; we need to experience animal, plant, and mineral species to learn more, not only about ourselves but mother nature and how we are all interconnected. SWCC has a new Science building for the purpose of education through natural science - not fossil fuel extraction to benefit the wealthy with no regard to democracy.

Public Trust rights will be violated as the dredging will disrupt the ecosystem. the loss of habitat for native species will disrupt the economy dramatically solely for profit. We must learn from history which is always on the side of righteousness.

What is right is above and beyond this material world. But while here we must take into account the Unity of mankind and nature. Never mess with mother nature but bless and express gratitude to live in peace.

Sincerely,

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