

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY DEMOCRATS

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Resolution Regarding Crude Oil Facilities in Grays Harbor

WHEREAS, crude oil from the Bakken Formation and oil extracted from the tar sands of Alberta are the primary products that will be transported and stored in the proposed oil terminal facilities to be built in Hoquiam, and

WHEREAS, there have been many accidents, spills, and explosions associated with this type of crude oil, and,

WHEREAS, the adverse effects of extraction and consumption of this type of crude oil have been widely documented, and

WHEREAS, many cities and towns along the rail corridor for this product have made resolutions opposing this type of crude oil transportation through their communities, and

WHEREAS, many elected and appointed officials of Grays Harbor County and the Quinault Indian Nation have taken a stand against the proposed storage and transportation facilities in Hoquiam, and

WHEREAS, any employment and economic benefits that may be created by these projects are dwarfed by the real dangers to existing employment and economic operations, and

WHEREAS, Grays Harbor is a unique cultural and environmental asset which must be protected by its citizens,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Grays Harbor Democratic Party is opposed to storage and transportation of this type of crude oil in Grays Harbor.