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Thank You for your consideration,  
William Lackner for the members of the CDAO

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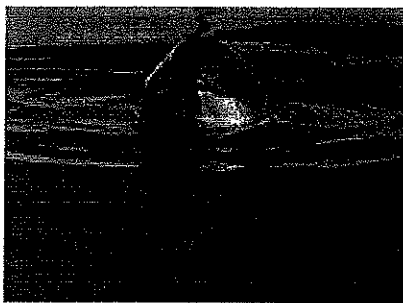


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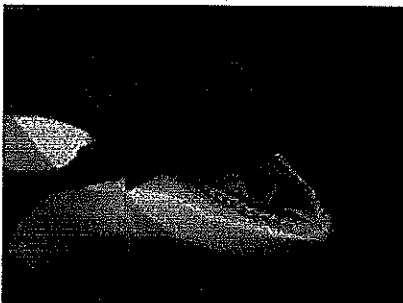
The Clam Diggers Association of Oregon (CDAO) members are adamantly opposed to the Jordan Cove LNG project. This project will interfere with the public trust rights to recreate on Coos Bay. We do not want to give up our use of the bay because of the LNG ship 500' exclusion zone on all sides. This problem is compounded by the 240 transits per year during high tides.

CDAO members also fish and crab at Coos Bay. High tide is the most desirable condition for catching these public resources. Coos Bay is the largest bay in Oregon. It is also the most productive bay to harvest clams, crabs, fish and sand shrimp.

Besides gathering shellfish, fish and crabs our members also enjoy taking pictures of wildlife on Coos Bay. These large ships and restrictions will interfere with this activity. Coos Bay Estuary has abundant wildlife see exhibit 101 (natural resources of Coos Bay Estuary.) The construction of Jordan Cove LNG plant will have a negative impact on the bays wildlife and the public's right to enjoy viewing these resources. Our members enjoy watching the Harbor Porpoises and Killer Whales that frequent Coos Bay during high tides.



The most important environmental benefit of Coos Bay is the ecological productivity of this estuary. Things like eel grass matter to a healthy bay ecology.



Construction and the day to day operation of the LNG facility will minimize the contribution that robust thriving tidal flats provide for the life cycles of the marine organisms that inhabit the bay. Sand and Mud Shrimp should not be sacrificed for the dredge and fill project. Shrimp provide people with needed fishing bait as well as food for Coho, Chinook and Steelhead. These shrimp also feed many near shore fishes and birds. The dredge and fill project will also impact shellfish and the bay's crab productivity. Construction of Jordan Cove project will interfere with the public trust rights.

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Conclusion:

Once again the Clam Diggers Association of Oregon (CDAO) states our objections to the development of the LNG facility at Jourdan Cove.

Our objections are based on the unacceptable impact on the ecological productivity to the natural occurring marine organisms and to the sustainability to the bay's oyster farms.

In addition we strongly oppose the loss of recreational opportunity due the failure of the State and Federal government to adequately compensate the users of the bay for loss of recreational opportunity.

We object to having to appeal to a board riddled with conflict of interest by presenting our objections to the LNG Jordan Cove project to a governing body whose members and associates have taken tens of thousands of dollars in campaign contributions.

We appeal to you to right a sinking ship by voting no to Jordan Cove.

Respectfully,

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