

Take action to power a better future...



"I love raising my kids in Mason County, and I'm proud to speak up to keep our community safe and liveable. We need answers about the biomass power plant

being proposed for Johns Prairie Road near Shelton. Let's work together to learn all the facts and ensure a bright future for Mason County."

-- Laura Lewis, Mason County wife, mom and taxpayer

Please Contact Your Lawmakers and Tell Them You Want Clean Air in Mason County and Answers to These Questions:

- * Why is a huge incinerator with a 20 story smokestack being planned within a mile of ball fields, schools and homes?
- * Where will they get the water? Where will the tons of toxic ash go?
- * Why should taxpayers foot the bill for road and utility improvements for an out-of-state company that will sell energy in California?
- * How far will emissions travel? What effects will they have on our kids, our health, our lakes and our air?
- * How will acid rain impact Puget Sound and our shellfish industry?
- * How low will property values drop if no one wants to live here?

**Why haven't there been any public hearings?
How can federal, state and local officials make a huge decision like this without consulting the citizens?**

What's in it for Mason County?

They call it a "biomass boiler" but the process is combustion and the residue is ash. **The ADAGE Plant is really a huge incinerator with plans to burn 600,000 tons of woody biomass every year.** (That's over 1 ton every minute, 24/7.)

And it won't all be local biomass. In fact, the WSU Biomass Study cited by ADAGE reveals that more than 90% of the woody biomass in SW Washington is located *outside* of Mason County. **That's why ADAGE has announced plans to import and burn biomass from a 50 mile radius.**

ADAGE promises jobs but the facts don't substantiate our hopes. Their only real commitment is to hire 24 workers to run the Plant. They forgot to mention that the support jobs will be scattered around the 50 mile radius. 90% could be outside Mason County.

This isn't the lumber industry we know. This is an industrial scale incinerator business.

TABLE 7-2 of the ORCAA (Clean Air) filing reports that the ADAGE boiler will release a host of "Regulated Air Pollutants." Here is just a sample.

Particulate matter - 338 tons (a major health risk)

NOx - 240 tons (a critical factor in acid rain)

Carbon Monoxide - 248 tons (an estimate just below the 250 ton level that would trigger stricter EPA regulations)



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