

Scoping Report
Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy
Distribution Terminal

APPENDIX

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ISSUE CATEGORIES AND CODES

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Table of Scoping Comment Issue Categories and Codes

Issue Category	Issue Code	Definition	Category	Geographic Area of Concern
Alternatives	AL1	Comments requesting consideration of reasonable alternatives to the proposed project, including consideration of alternative sites, alternative transportation routes, and alternative sources of energy.	Regulatory and SEPA	Not Categorized
Air Quality (onsite sources)	AQ1	Comments focused on air emissions, dust, and odors from facility operations; including possible health effects from release of air toxics. Includes general comments regarding air quality and air pollution.	Air Quality	On-site
Air Quality (rail sources)	AQ2	Comments focused on exhaust emissions from diesel-electric locomotives.	Air Quality	Off-site
Air Quality (marine vessel sources)	AQ3	Comments focused on exhaust emissions from marine vessels operating on the Columbia River or moored at the loading dock.	Air Quality	Off-site
Climate Change	CC1	Comments requesting consideration and analysis of effects on global climate change.	Climate Change	Not Categorized
Cumulative Effects (onsite and vicinity)	CE1	Comments requesting analysis of the cumulative impacts from other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable projects on the project site or in the project vicinity.	Cumulative Effects	On-site
Cumulative Effects (offsite - rail and marine)	CE2	Comments requesting analysis of the cumulative impacts associated with other crude oil and coal terminal projects, including associated rail and marine operations. Category includes general comments concerning cumulative effects, including comments to consider impacts at point of resource extraction and/or end use.	Cumulative Effects	Off-site
Energy and Natural Resources	EN1	Comments focused on national energy policy, fossil fuels vs. renewable energy (wind, solar, biofuels), and energy conservation.	Energy and Natural Resources	Not Categorized
Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation (general)	FW1	General comments concerning impacts on fish, wildlife, and vegetation.	Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation	Not Categorized
Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation (onsite)	FW2	Comments concerning potential onsite impacts on fish, wildlife, vegetation, wetlands, threatened and endangered species from construction and operation of the proposed project, including habitat removal, introduction of exotic plants and invasive marine organisms; disturbance, displacement, and direct mortality from construction activities; and oil spills in upland areas or in the marine vessel loading area.	Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation	On-site
Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation (offsite - marine vessels)	FW3	Comments concerning potential offsite impacts on fish, wildlife, vegetation, wetlands, or threatened and endangered species from increased marine vessel operations on the lower Columbia River, including the introduction of invasive marine organisms; disturbance, displacement, or direct mortality due to collisions, propeller strike, or wake stranding, and impacts from a limited or catastrophic oil spill involving a tanker.	Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation	Off-site
Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation (offsite - rail)	FW4	Comments concerning potential offsite impacts on fish, wildlife, vegetation, and threatened and endangered species from off-site train operations, including disturbance or direct mortality due to collisions, disruption of migration routes, and impacts from a limited or catastrophic oil spill and/or fire.	Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation	Off-site
General Comment - opposed	GC1	Comments stating opposition to the proposed project.	General Comment	Not Categorized
General Comment - In favor	GC2	Comments stating support for the proposed project.	General Comment	Not Categorized
General Comment	GC3	General comment, non-specific.	General Comment	Not Categorized
Regulatory and Procedural Concerns	RP1	Comments pertaining to federal, state, or local regulations, State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) procedures or requirements, the Port of Vancouver lease agreement with Tesoro-Savage, or other legal concerns.	Regulatory and SEPA	Not Categorized
Geology and Soils (onsite)	GS1	Comments concerning onsite geology, soils, erosion, earthquakes, liquefaction, including the shoreline area.	Geology and Soils	On-site
Geology and Soils (offsite)	GS2	Comments concerned with geologic conditions along rail or marine transportation routes.	Geology and Soils	Off-site
Historic and Cultural Preservation	HC1	Concerns over impacts to archaeological resources, historic buildings, or tribal concerns.	Historic and Cultural Preservation	Not Categorized
Environmental Health (onsite - fire and explosion)	EH1	Comments concerning the volatility of crude oil and the risk of fire and/or explosion at the project site (including security/terrorism concerns).	Environmental Health and Safety	On-site
Environmental Health (offsite - fire and explosion)	EH2	Comments concerning the volatility of crude oil and the risk of fire and/or explosion along rail or marine transportation routes (including security/terrorism concerns).	Environmental Health and Safety	Off-site
Environmental Health (onsite - spills)	EH3	Comments focused on concerns about oil spills at the project site and the marine loading area.	Environmental Health and Safety	On-site
Environmental Health (offsite - spills)	EH4	Comments focused on concerns about oil spills along rail and marine vessel transportation routes.	Environmental Health and Safety	Off-site
Environmental Health (onsite - noise)	EH5	Comments concerned about noise from plant operations.	Environmental Health and Safety	On-site
Environmental Health (offsite - noise)	EH6	Comments concerned about noise along rail and marine transportation routes.	Environmental Health and Safety	Off-site
Environmental Health (onsite - contaminants)	EH7	Concerns over release of toxic or hazardous materials from disturbance or excavation of contaminated soils or sediments located on the project site.	Environmental Health and Safety	On-site
Environmental Health (onsite/offsite - human health)	EH8	Comments requesting the study of potential acute/chronic health effects from exposure to air toxics, particulates, and contaminated water due to normal operations and/or accidental releases or spills.	Environmental Health and Safety	Not Categorized
Emergency Response (onsite)	ER1	Comments concerning the adequacy of existing emergency plans and the ability of the local police departments, fire departments, and emergency medical personnel to respond to major accidents that result in catastrophic oil spills, explosions, or fires at the project site or vessel loading area.	Emergency Response	On-site
Emergency Response (offsite - rail)	ER2	Comments concerning the adequacy of existing emergency plans and the ability of local police departments, fire departments, and emergency medical personnel to respond to derailments, collisions, other accidents that result in catastrophic oil spills, explosions, or fires along offsite rail transportation routes.	Emergency Response	Off-site

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Emergency Response (offsite - marine)	ER3	Comments concerning the adequacy of existing emergency plans and the ability of local police departments, fire departments, emergency medical personnel to respond to vessel collisions, groundings, or other accidents that result in catastrophic oil spills, explosions, or fires.	Emergency Response	Off-site
Emergency Response (private parties)	ER4	Comments concerning the ability of plant operators and the BNRR to implement emergency response plans and spill response plans in the event of train derailments or collisions, vessel loading mishaps, vessel collisions and groundings, or other accidents resulting in limited or catastrophic oil spills.	Emergency Response	Not Categorized
Land and Shoreline Use (plans and policies)	LU1	Comments regarding the consistency/inconsistency of the proposed project with adopted land use plans and zoning.	Land and Shoreline Use	Not Categorized
Land and Shoreline Use (existing and proposed)	LU2	Comments concerning the compatibility of the proposed project with nearby residential land uses and the proposed Columbia Waterfront Development Project.	Land and Shoreline Use	Not Categorized
Purpose and Need	PN1	Comments regarding the purpose and need for the project.	Regulatory and SEPA	Not Categorized
Public Services and Utilities	PS1	Comments concerning the increased demands on public services (police, fire, emergency medical services) and public utilities (water, sewer, electricity) during normal plant operations.	Public Services and Utilities	Not Categorized
Recreation	RC1	Comment concerning potential negative effects on local and regional recreational resources (i.e. parks, trails, and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area).	Recreation	Not Categorized
Socioeconomics (positive effects)	SE1	Comments concerning the positive impacts on jobs, economic growth, and local and state tax revenue.	Socioeconomics and Economics	Not Categorized
Socioeconomics (negative effects)	SE2	Comments concerning the negative impacts on property values, quality of life, attraction of new residents and businesses, and tourism.	Socioeconomics and Economics	Not Categorized
Transportation (vehicles)	TR1	Comments on potential impacts from plant construction and operation on local vehicular traffic and safety. Category includes general comments concerning transportation.	Transportation	On-site
Transportation (marine vessels)	TR2	Comments focused on concerns over increased numbers of oil tankers operating on the Columbia River, including the increased risk of ship collisions and groundings.	Transportation	Off-site
Transportation (rail)	TR3	Comments focused on concerns over increased train traffic in the Vancouver metropolitan area and along major rail corridors in Washington State, including increased traffic delays and delays to emergency vehicles at railroad crossings, interference with the movement/circulation of people and goods, and increased risk of derailments and accidents.	Transportation	Off-site
Visual Quality (local)	VQ1	Comments concerning the visual or aesthetic impacts of the new facility on existing views or vistas.	Visual Quality	On-site
Visual Quality (regional)	VQ2	Comments concerning the visual or aesthetic impacts of additional trains operating in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area.	Visual Quality	Off-site
Water (onsite)	WA1	Comments concerning potential impacts on rivers, streams, ground water, and aquifers near the project site from limited or catastrophic oil spills.	Water	On-site
Water (offsite - marine vessels)	WA2	Comments concerning potential impacts on the Columbia River and adjacent riparian waterways from limited or catastrophic oil spills.	Water	Off-site
Water (offsite - rail)	WA3	Comments concerning potential impacts on rivers, streams, and aquifers located along major rail routes from limited or catastrophic oil spills.	Water	Off-site
No Comment	XX1	No comment or duplicate comment.	N/A	N/A
Form Letters	FL1-FL9	FL1: Friends of the Columbia River Gorge Form Letter FL2: Sierra Club Form Letter	Form Letter Form Letter	Depends on discrete codes Depends on discrete codes