

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Presentation to Seattle City Council

February 21, 2018



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A wooden boat is shown, partially covered in a dark, textured material. The boat has a red and white striped canopy. The background is a light-colored wall with a grid pattern.

**WHY DOES THE PUYALLUP TRIBE
OPPOSE PSE'S LNG PLANT?**

Why does the Puyallup Tribe oppose PSE's LNG plant?

It's a direct threat to our homeland, culture, way of life, and tribal members.



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Why does the Puyallup Tribe oppose PSE's LNG plant?

We have lived in this region for millennia. We have fought for and retained our rights as a sovereign nation, including on lands we ceded by treaty to the United States.

This area is all that we have left of our aboriginal homeland and it cannot be replaced.



Why does the Puyallup Tribe oppose PSE's LNG plant?

The proposed plant has not been fully evaluated and poses significant safety and environmental risks to our people and local residents.



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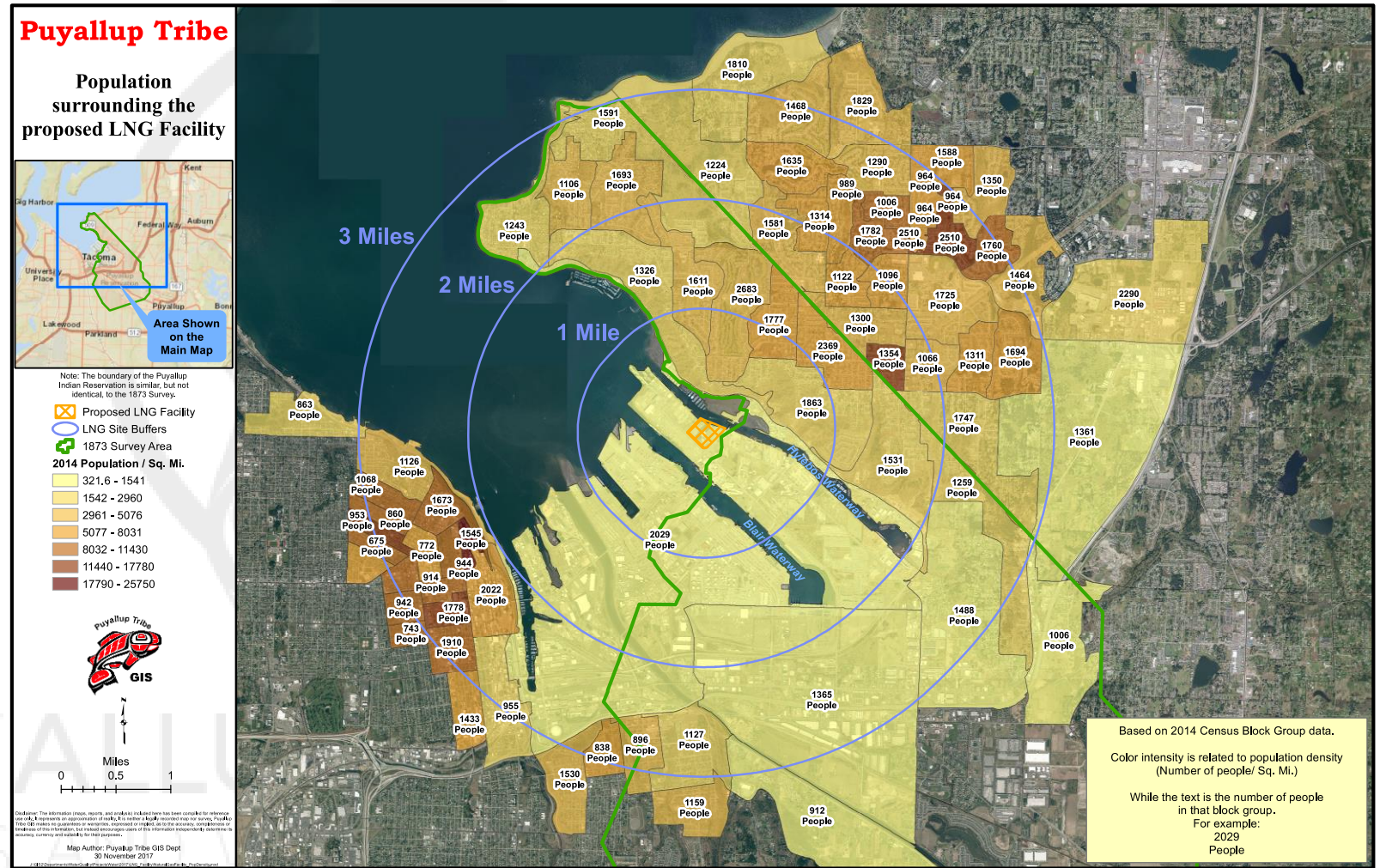
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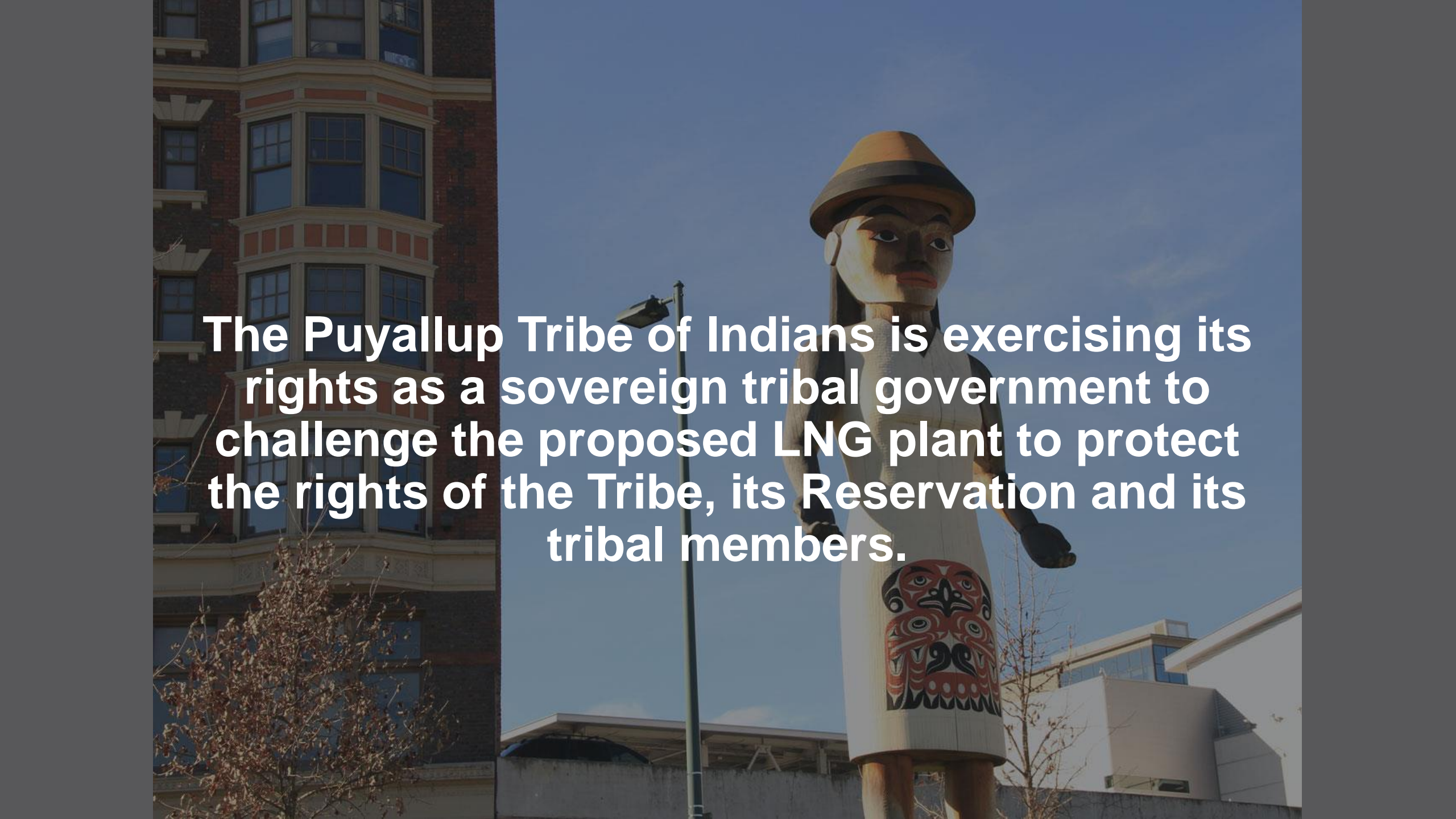
The facility is within one to two miles of 17 schools and daycare centers.



Why does the Puyallup Tribe oppose PSE's LNG plant?

The site is in close proximity to tribal lands and densely populated Tacoma neighborhoods.






The Puyallup Tribe of Indians is exercising its rights as a sovereign tribal government to challenge the proposed LNG plant to protect the rights of the Tribe, its Reservation and its tribal members.

What is the Puyallup Tribe doing?

- Pursuing available legal remedies to challenge permitting for the proposed LNG plant.
- Working with other Tribes to ensure federal, state, regional, and local officials are in compliance with all permitting requirements.
- Demanding PSE cease construction until all consultation and permit requirements are satisfied.
- Demanding the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the PSE facility be adequately analyzed and that this information is released to the public.

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WE ARE NOT ALONE.

Washington Tribes stand with us

- Earlier this month, 14 Washington State Tribes signed a letter in support of the Puyallup Tribe, calling on Gov. Inslee to take action and protect treaty rights.

WASHINGTON TRIBES STAND WITH THE PUYALLUP TRIBE

Dear Governor Inslee,

We stand with the Puyallup Tribe in its fight to protect its people, land and water from the devastating effects of Puget Sound Energy's Liquefied Natural Gas facility. Developments such as the liquefied gas storage facility require government-to-government consultation with our sovereign tribal nations. The City of Tacoma's failure to properly consult with the Puyallup Tribe threatens the health, culture and livelihood of thousands of tribal members.

We applaud the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency's requirement to complete a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). We are asking for your leadership and support to join us in demanding that the City of Tacoma, Department of Ecology, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the PSCAA require PSE to cease all construction until the full environmental review of the project is completed and all permit requirements are satisfied. We join the Puyallup Tribe in calling on the Army Corps of Engineers to step in as the federal trustee responsible for protecting the Puyallup Tribe's trust and treaty protected resources.

The tribes of Washington have a long history of standing together to defend our lands and waters. We have sent a powerful message to state and federal governments, and industry, that we will not tolerate corporate development at any cost. Tribal unity led to a huge victory for sovereignty—the denial of permits for coal terminals at Cherry Point and Longview.

We have seen what happens when development at any cost takes place. U.S. tribes joined First Nations of Canada in strong opposition to the Keystone Pipeline. In November 2017, 210,000 gallons of crude oil leaked near the Lake Traverse Reservation, home of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Tribe of South Dakota. Tribes have long warned that it is not if, but when, disaster will strike and threaten our way of life.

This project is no different and poses substantial human health and safety risks. The City of Tacoma stands to gain significant financial benefits from the development of this storage facility. But these potential profits do not release the city of their legal obligation to meaningfully consult with the Puyallup Tribe as a sovereign nation or comprehensively examine the risks associated with the Liquefied Natural Gas facility.

Washington Tribes, February 1, 2018

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The community stands with us

Water warriors and grassroots organizations like Redefine Tacoma and 350 Tacoma say “No LNG in 2-5-3!”



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And even PSCAA questions the LNG plant

Last month, the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency issued a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to assess the greenhouse gas emissions.

Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

Permit Updates



January 24, 2018

The Puget Sound Clean Air Agency has continued to review the Notice of Construction (NOC) application for the Puget Sound Energy Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facility in Tacoma. At this time, the Agency has determined that a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is required to identify and analyze greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and impacts for the project.

The SEIS will supplement the Air and Cumulative Impacts sections of the City of Tacoma's FEIS, specifically related to GHGs, to include quantitative analysis of the emissions throughout the fuel life cycle.

There will be no optional scoping for the SEIS. The Agency will hire a consultant to prepare the SEIS. Public comment opportunities will be provided for the draft SEIS when it has been prepared. This SEIS review process is not a permit decision on the NOC application. Processing the NOC application will be on hold while we complete the SEIS.

A copy of the letter sent to Puget Sound Energy regarding this determination and a copy of the notice of this SEIS decision has been posted to the Agency's website for this project, at the link provided below. If you received this e-mail, you will continue to receive notices of project updates. Those will include notices for an upcoming comment period for the draft SEIS.

For further information visit pscleanair.org/PSELNGPermit.

Thank you,

Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

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What we need now

We are demanding that the City of Tacoma, Department of Ecology, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency demand PSE cease construction until the full environmental review of the project is completed and all permit requirements are satisfied.

We continue to call upon the Army Corps of Engineers to step in as the federal trustee responsible for protecting the Puyallup Tribe's trust and treaty protected resources.

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A group of people are paddling traditional dugout canoes on a body of water. The canoes are decorated with intricate black, red, and white designs, likely representing indigenous art. The people are wearing life jackets and hats, and are actively paddling. The water is blue with some white foam from the paddles. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

**TOGETHER WE CAN STOP PSE'S LNG
PLANT, PROTECT TRIBES,
COMMUNITIES, AND PRESERVE OUR
NATURAL RESOURCES.**

Thank you!



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