



PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS



PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 180118F

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribe has existed since creation as the aboriginal people who are the owners and guardians of their lands and waters; and

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribe is an independent sovereign nation, having historically negotiated with several foreign nations including the United States in the Medicine Creek Treaty; and

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribal Council is the governing body of the Puyallup Tribe in accordance with the authority of its sovereign rights as the aboriginal owners and guardians of their lands and waters, reaffirmed in the Medicine Creek Treaty, and their Constitution and Bylaws, as amended and approved by the Tribe and the Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribe has a primary interest in protecting and preserving its environment and natural resources, which are integral components of the Tribe's economic, social, cultural and spiritual life, and the Tribal Council is aware that activities both on and near the Puyallup Reservation ("Reservation") may adversely affect these resources and values, and may impair the health and welfare of the Reservation population. Off-Reservation activities may adversely affect the Tribe's Treaty fishery rights and other cultural and spiritual interests of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribe has reviewed all the permits issued for the Tacoma LNG Plant being constructed by Puget Sound Energy on the Tacoma tideflats; and

WHEREAS, the Puyallup Tribe has found each permit decision to be woefully insufficient to protect the environment, the Tribe's natural resources, cultural resources, and Treaty Rights; as well as completely inadequate to protect the health and welfare of its people and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the LNG Plant is being constructed by PSE without all the required permits to continue with construction of the tank and related facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed LNG project presents significant risks to human life, property, cultural resources, and natural resources particularly when sited in a densely populated urban environment and the Tribal Reservation; and

WHEREAS, there are no identified alternatives to the proposal that will reduce the risks to Tribal Members, the public as a whole, human life, and property;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians hereby declares:

1. The Puyallup Tribe is strictly opposed to the Puget Sound Energy's Proposed LNG Plant on the Tacoma Tideflats; and
2. The Puyallup Tribe has approved the attached statement as it's official statement regarding the LNG Plant being constructed by Puget Sound Energy.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians authorizes the Tribal Council Chairman (Bill Sterud), and in his absence, the Vice-Chairman

(Lawrence LaPointe), to execute this Resolution and other implementing instruments, or amendments, required on behalf of the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

I, Rosalee McCloud, Secretary of the Puyallup Tribal Council of the Puyallup Reservation do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Puyallup Tribal Council held on the Puyallup Indian Reservation on the 18 day of Jan. 2018, a quorum being present with a vote of 5 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 NOT VOTING its adoption.

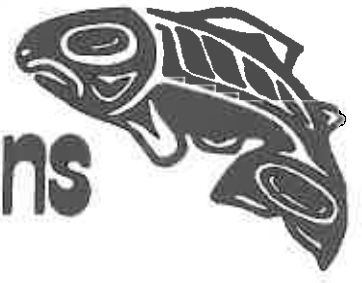
Rosalee McCloud
Secretary, Puyallup Tribal Council

ATTEST:

Bill Sterud
Bill Sterud, Chairman
Puyallup Tribal Council



Puyallup Tribe of Indians



The Puyallup Tribe of Indians opposes the location of the Liquefied Gas storage facility because of its direct threat to our homeland, culture, way of life, and tribal members.

The Puyallup people 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.

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

The Liquefied Gas storage facility could have devastating impacts on the Puyallup Tribe and well-being of our tribal members.

Our treaty-protected fisheries will face detrimental impacts from the construction and operation of Liquefied Gas storage and fueling facilities, and future vessel traffic.

The review and permitting process has been completely inadequate.

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians is exercising its authority as a sovereign nation:

- We are taking legal action against PSE & City of Tacoma because they conducted the EIS process without consultation with the Tribe.
- We are working with other tribes in our region to insist that federal, state, and local officials ensure compliance with all permitting requirements.
- We are demanding that PSE cease construction activities until all Tribal Consultation and public participation requirements are met and all permit requirements are satisfied.
- We are demanding that the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the PSE facility be adequately analyzed and that this information is released to the public.
- We call on the City of Tacoma and Port of Tacoma to order a supplemental environmental, health, and safety review under the State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA).