

Ms Moore:

Jordan Cove has presented the Oregon Coast with a persistent and costly problem for years. First they insisted we needed **imported** gas so they could claim Oregon land by eminent domain and pipe it to California, which had already closed their ports to LNG. After we long suffered the EIS process and input volumes of facts in protest, FERC approved the EIS in an end of a term political ploy, which blatantly violated NEPA guidelines and regulations. From the earliest days of the "project", Jordan Cove has sought premature and "conditional" permits entailing numerous hours of labor and cost to our region, while not fulfilling the small conditions of the faulty EIS.

The State of Oregon challenged FERC's issuance of the import facility, primarily on the basis of failure to comply with NEPA. This administrative appeal was never processed. Rather, the project was vacated recently to make way for the **export** project now on hand.

In a recent letter from FERC (re: OEP/DG2E/Gas3) to various agencies, the agency wisely chose to abandon the multiple EIS path and comply with NEPA with a single EIS. It was stated by Chief Martin that the terminal was "previously authorized", completely overlooking the fact that FERC's decision faced a day in court before becoming viable. I hardly think "vacating" an unresolved project would legalize it.

My concern is that this whole project has been muddled by premature permits and conditions. From the start, I felt that we were dealing with a hydra. The numerous tentacles seeking to compromise at various levels so as in the end, we would be bound and gagged. That surely cannot be the way for due process to work.

Remember, Jordan Cove was **not** accepted as an import terminal for various reasons including environmental, violation of property owners, degrading the local economy and failure to pass the pretense of "need". Now Jordan Cove wants to export (which we suspected was case in the beginning but did not pose a "need" to anyone but Jordan Cove and thus no need for eminent domain) but FERC is now trying to pull forward incomplete conditions and invalid permits. First being that the site has been approved and secondly, that there is a need for eminent domain. This new project must have a stand alone EIS, in compliance to NEPA. Until then, no permits should be issued.

Now the game is elevated to a higher level. I for one was concerned about our local government being liable to a foreign controlled entity that would itself be answerable only to NAFTA. And without any of the above resolved, they want you to permit them to export to non treaty nations? And when do we resolve whether our country needs to export gas, treaty or otherwise, while importing sandy oil? Is it not time to assess our total energy resources and call for a programmatic EIS? Before we issue more permits?

Respectfully submitted,
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