

Dear Sir /Madam,

The Primavera family has lived on the Chehalem Mt for the past 12 years. Within this time frame, we did not simply purchase a house; the mountain, the community, and our property have enabled us to make a place for our family to thrive and give us a place that feels like a small piece of paradise. For us, we call it "the bubble on the mountain", safe, secure, and truly a majestic environment. The property located at 18505 NE Jaquith Rd, now threatens this way of life, not to mention the effects on the mountain and surrounding areas. For some reason, the Board of Commissioners does not seem to recognize the dangers that this chemical refinery & grow plantation is putting so many in. Although no one can answer why a similar application was DENIED in McMinnville - TO DANGEROUS, NOT IN AN IDEAL LOCATION DUE TO SAFETY PRECAUTIONS, yet a rural area, with little access to water, and narrow winding roads, is acceptable? DID WE NOT LEARN ANYTHING FROM LAST YEARS FIRE??! Although we were very lucky last year, and the TVFR did an amazing job, this fire was not caused by chemicals! Chemical fires, often can not be fought with water. We are a relatively small community and do not have immediate access to fire fighting resources as perhaps the larger PDX communities have. Are you truly turning a blind eye and conscience on the possibilities of the effects the WAG Holdings propose? I realize that you need to find ways to make the revenue for the state, but at what cost? You are putting people's lives in danger. If you do not have the conscience to consider the worth of our lives, perhaps you may also consider the environmental effects that the proposed water drilling will have on the aquifer. We implore you to look at the independent studies that show the amount of water this company wants to use will potentially dry the aquifer COMPLETELY!! So now you are not only looking at the cost of our lives but add complete devastation to the property value, both residential and commercial. How could anyone buy a home, let alone live in one if there is ZERO water available?

I'm certain you have seen many complaints regarding the activities at the location mentioned above; however, have you actually READ the complaints or studies or even visited the site? You have the ability to change our lives by regulating this type of business and ensuring that safety protocols are in place, (TVFR has never been allowed in for a safety inspection, let alone any other agency - why?) isn't this the normal practice for any business in Oregon - mandated laws that protect public safety?

This may not affect you personally, but I would ask you to consider this: would YOU personally feel safe living up here? Please take the time to do your research and vote with your conscience. PLEASE CONSIDER THE RISKS THAT YOU ARE MAKING WITH PEOPLE'S LIVES. WOULD YOU PERSONALLY WANT A FAMILY MEMBER TO WORK IN AN UNSAFE ENVIRONMENT? Please read just a few of the concerns listed below.

"The extraction process is continuing to evolve," Raymond Bizal, director of California and Oregon regional operations for the National Fire Protection Association, told POLITICO. "The fire-safety industry has to play catch-up." labor unions complain that state governments are moving too swiftly to license producers, outpacing the states' ability to inspect production facilities for potential safety violations. Unions also want more certification training to teach workers how to handle machinery and equipment properly.

Extracting hash oil from cannabis is dangerous because typically it requires pouring highly-flammable butane or some other volatile solvent into a cannabis-filled pipe. When performed in illegal marijuana operations — often located in residential locations — the processing of marijuana for hash oil has long been known to cause frequent deadly explosions. In 2017 the Drug Enforcement Agency recorded fires or explosions in roughly 10 %