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I am shocked that at this critical time of climate change, there are legislators who are unable to see into this trojan horse of economic recovery, the threat to our air and water quality of the residents of Coos county. We don't want a container port in our bay! Container ships release a variety of greenhouse gasses including sulphur dioxide and carbon dioxide from their combustion engines. Enroute to their destinations, the noise from their engines will disturb migration routes. Dredging for their passage and turn around will create sediment harmful to marine life. The trains used to transport materials will be noisy; improvement to the tracks and tunnels to facilitate transportation will increase traffic on our two lane highways. The cost to build the infrastructure to create the so called jobs, mostly from outside Coos country, will be outrageous even with government funding. The cost of a hazardous waste accident or natural disaster will far out way any benefit to our community. Our tourism will take a direct hit. This is just another example of private interest groups coming up with another bad idea for Oregon residents and our pristine environment under the trojan horse of economic development.