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1 Please give the salmon and the huckleberries a break. No  
2 coal exports, no coal project expansions. We can do  
3 better. Thank you.

4 MR. BATTIS: Group 26 through 30. So  
5 we've gone through 20 people, and just real quickly to  
6 check in, Commenters, you're doing an awesome job.  
7 Wonderful comments, really informative comments. Thank  
8 you for sticking to the time limits. We appreciate that.  
9 Audience, thank you for giving everybody respect.

10 All right. We're going to move over here to  
11 Microphone No. 1. Number 21.

12 MR. LETTLELEAF: Greetings. My name  
13 is Elke Littleleaf. This is my wife Alysia and my son  
14 Shane. We reside in Warm Springs, Oregon, and we have  
15 our fishing guide service there.

16 This is a big concern with this oil transportation,  
17 the coal. As a family, our river is our way that we  
18 live. It's a way that our ancestors taught us for  
19 thousands of years and we are proud of what we do. And  
20 not only through our guide service, it's the way we make  
21 a living, but we use it as an education to teach  
22 non-tribal members what's in our rivers, because it's not  
23 just about catching the fish, it's about, you know,  
24 respecting the fish.

25 We're one of the only guide services that teaches

1 catch and release, and this is something that we feel  
2 that as American Indians we teach people to respect our  
3 animals, our creatures of this world.

4 And once upon a time I used to work on a railroad,  
5 and 90 percent of my jobs that I've done were just  
6 disastrous things, derailments, and I could see that  
7 nothing could ever be replaceable, you know, with our  
8 system, our fish, our rivers, and this is just a gamble  
9 that we can't take. So please, I wanted to let you all  
10 know that. Vote against this oil and coal.

11 MRS. LITTLELEAF: And also, I just had  
12 to add that we did travel over 270 miles to be here and  
13 we have to travel that far back just to get home, so...

14 And also, that this is our son. He is our future  
15 guide. He loves to fish. He loves the trout, the  
16 steelhead, the steelhead smolt, all the above. We want  
17 to be able to keep the Deschutes River, the Columbia  
18 River a healthy and sustainable river for him so he can  
19 continue to be our future and to teach his kids the same  
20 beliefs that we're teaching him, and so on, et cetera.

21 So we are asking you guys not to rob him or any of  
22 your own children and your future generations of their  
23 future, so -- and also I wanted to add that we did rally  
24 against Nestlé. I know it has nothing to do with this,  
25 but we are activists against anything that will harm our