

THE SPEAKER: Jay Julius, Lummi Nation. I'm speaking on behalf of 5,000 plus tribal members. On scoping processes and science. All be told to wait for the science before deciding. Science is respected by our nation, but we have our own ancient knowledge and teaching that came from this land and these waters before the arrival of science. Lummi says no. Don't require science to know that in terms of our ancestral knowledge, the proposed terminal at Cherry Point, in our language, Xwe'chi'eXen, is inappropriate and unacceptable.

Fishing. I am personally a fisherman. My great great great grandparents were fishermen. As were their ancestors long before the arrival of science. To us fishing is culture and culture, fish. There was no word for famine in our language but many for family. It is these intangible values of a gift from the creator, and that makes us who we are.

Third is Lummi is the first of the indigenous communities to use reef nets and long before the arrival of non-Indians. We have documentation reef net sites and locations throughout our territory, including San Juan, and one of them is Cherry Point.

Historic, cultural. First of all, I'd like to encourage spiritual or a soul study to be done and maybe to use the impacts of boarding schools on the Indians to study the spiritual and soul impacts that this will have on our people. The fact that this is being proposed on Washington State burial

land, the cemetery, not just part of it but all of it, in three sites. Inside the area are registered archeological sites.

One being 45-WH-1, the most studied site in Washington State --

MS. HULL: Thank you.