

SAY NO TO RAVEN COAL PROJECT

COMPLIANCE ENERGY CORPORATION of Vancouver and its partners
ITOCHI CORPORATION of Japan and LG INTERNATIONAL GROUP of South Korea
are planning to extract **millions of tons of coal** by underground mining
in the Beaufort Range between Wilfred Creek and Cowie Creek in Fanny Bay.
Aquifers, streams, creeks, rivers, and the fish, wildlife and people they support are in

DANGER !

- Underground mining creates **voids** over many square miles.
- **Subsidence** ... interferes with the drainage of surface water; it may also impact **aquifers**.
- Coal left in the ground may catch fire. **Mine fires** are difficult to control; some have burned for decades.
- Coal always contains **methane** (CH₄), most of which is **released into the atmosphere during mining**.
- Methane is a very potent **greenhouse gas** and contributes to **global warming**.
- The mine workings collect and conduct water that oxidizes the ever-present pyrite (FeS₂) in coal-bearing strata and **causes acid mine drainage into the local drainage system**.

<http://www.pollutionissues.com/Br-Co/index.html>

We live in an Earthquake Zone and are already experiencing Summer Drought and Forest Fires!

Health Study: Chronic Illness Linked To Coal-mining Pollution

The goal was to determine whether there is a relationship between coal production and forms of cardiovascular, lung and kidney disease. Findings:

- as coal production increases, so does the incidence of **chronic illness**.
- Coal-processing chemicals, equipment powered by diesel engines, explosives, toxic impurities in coals, and dust from uncovered coal trucks can cause **environmental pollution**

The data show that people in coal mining communities

- have a 70 percent increased risk for developing **kidney disease**.
- have a 64 percent increased risk for developing **chronic obstructive pulmonary disease** such as emphysema.
- are 30 percent more likely to report **high blood pressure (hypertension)**.

Data show the risk of **hospitalization stays** for

- COPD increase 1 percent for every 1,462 tons of coal.
- Hypertension increase 1 percent for every 1,873 tons of coal.
- The incidence of mortality has been consistently higher in coal-mining areas for as long as Centers for Disease Control rates are available, back to 1979.

Relations Between Health Indicators and Residential Proximity to Coal Mining ... Hendryx and Ahern.

Am J Public Health. April 2008; 98: 669-671 <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/03/080326201751.htm>

Where is the enormous amount of WATER

needed for Coal Mining going to COME FROM and where is it GOING
TO GO??

John Tapics, CEO of Compliance Energy says he thinks that underground coal mining is clean and safe.

There is no "Clean Coal". Tell Mr. Tapics and all the politicians to leave it in the ground!

**ISN'T IT TIME TO PUT OUR QUALITY OF LIFE AND THE THREAT of GLOBAL WARMING
ABOVE CORPORATE PROFITS?**

Let's call and email ALL these folks

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