

January 4, 2005

Dear Community Leader:

A Citizen's Advisory Committee appointed by the Port of Chelan County to examine the proposed Deep Underground Science Engineering Laboratory (DUSEL) at Mt. Cashmere has completed its work and presented its report to the Port on December 6, 2004. The University of Washington, as the proponent of the DUSEL-Cascades proposal has asked the Port to take a formal position with regard to the proposal. The proposal must be submitted to the National Science Foundation no later than February 28, 2005. In recognition of this, the Port Commission will discuss and take action on a resolution declaring the Port's position, in accordance with this schedule:

Port Commission Meeting - January 12, 2005 @ 9:00 am First Reading of Resolution

Port Commission Meeting - February 2, 2005 @ 3:00 pm Public Comment Session on Resolution

Port Commission Meeting - February 16, 2005 @ 9:00 am Commission Action on Resolution

A copy of the Proposed Resolution declaring the Port of Chelan County's position regarding the DUSEL-Cascades proposal is attached. This Resolution may or may not be modified after the Port Commissioners have considered public comments. The report of the Citizens' Advisory Committee and the University of Washington's DUSEL proposal can be viewed at <http://www.duselprocess.com>.

While there are many differing opinions and perspectives on the DUSEL proposal, there is general agreement that its impacts will be significant. On behalf of the Port Commissioners, I encourage you to carefully review and consider the DUSEL materials and make your feelings known. If you cannot attend the public comment session on February 2, 2005, you can e-mail your comments to [dusel@ccpd.com](mailto:dusel@ccpd.com) or mail written comments to the Port of Chelan County, 125 Easy Street, Wenatchee, WA.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director