From: Robb Krehbiel < robb.krehbiel@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 3:37 PM

To: City Clerk's Office

Cc: Beale, Chris; Walker, Kristina; McCarthy, Conor; Hunter, Lillian; Woodards, Victoria

Subject: Public Comment: Interim Tideflat Regulations

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Hello,

My name is Robb Krehbiel and I live SE Tacoma (district 5), and I'm writing to provide public comment on Ordinance 28671 regarding the extension of the interim regulations in the tideflats.

I urge the City Council to extend these regulations to prohibit the expansion and/or conversion of existing fossil fuel facilities. A new report from Citizens for a Healthy Bay details how many of the existing fossil fuel facilities in the tideflats are eager to expand and turn Tacoma into a fossil fuel export hub. This would be a disaster for our environment, climate, health, wildlife, and quality of life. Allowing these companies (who are more interested in their bottom line than our community) to expand is irresponsible and inconsistent with the city's climate emergency declaration. If the city really views climate change as an emergency, the city council should be doing everything to phase out all fossil fuels from the tideflats.

I'm worried that the current pandemic is being used as an opportunity by many of these companies to expand and do more damage to the environment. Federal regulations are being rolled back constantly, and without those protections, we cannot trust that the expansion of fossil fuel facilities will be safe.

Fossil fuels are also the energy of the past and we need to abandon them as quickly as possible. This includes liquefied natural gas, which is not a transition fuel (although clever marketing campaigns have convinced many people that it is). Instead of doubling down on the pollution-based economy that has pushed our environment to the brink of collapse, the city council should instead be encouraging new green and sustainable businesses in the tideflats. Work done by graduate students at UW Tacoma envisions this future, and this is something the city should consider more.

Finally, I am concerned that the constant 6-month extensions of these interim regulations is illegal. It is becoming clear that these interim regulations are no longer "interim" and are in fact the de facto regulations guiding tideflats planning. I encourage city council to consult with the city attorney to assess the legality of the continual extension of these regulations.

I'm a proud Tacoman, and I am very proud of the progress our city has made to improve our environment and health. That is why I feel so strongly about these interim regulations. I want a fossil-free future for Tacoma, and that starts by extending the interim regulations to prohibit the expansion and/or conversion of existing fossil fuel facilities.

Please let me know if you have any further questions for me or if I can clarify any of my comments.

Sincerely,

Robb Krehbiel 7521 E. E St. Tacoma, WA 984040 206-883-7401 From: Sunrise Tacoma < sunrisemovement.tacoma@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 3:31 PM

To: City Clerk's Office

Cc: Woodards, Victoria; Hines, John; Thoms, Robert; Blocker, Keith; Ushka, Catherine; Beale, Chris;

Hunter, Lillian; Walker, Kristina; McCarthy, Conor

Subject: City Council Strengthen the Interim Regulations - Sunrise Tacoma calls on the city council to

show leadership in this time of grave crisis.

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5/12/2020 City Council Hearing - Tideflats Regulations

Dear City of Tacoma City Council,

My name is Jadyn Kane, I am an 8th grader, and I am writing to say that we strengthen the interim regulations.

With the climate crisis bearing down on us, us youth, your children, and your grandchildren need bold leadership that will use every tool in the toolbox to reduce emissions and fossil fuel infrastructure.

The oil market is as crazy as ever and the city is continuing to promote dirty industry that leaves us at risk to the winds of the fossil fuel industry. The current port being heavily fossil fuel has already resulted in Tacoma being passed over for the Governors Maritime Academy, that project is now going to Seattle when it could have been in ours. When me and my classmates heard the governor was considering Tacoma last year we were so excited. Who knows if it was even true, and now it's too late. The port is dirty, and not welcoming to any life, let alone human life. Imagine if was had a had a thriving educational center instead of oil companies owned by foreign business people. That academy would have reaffirmed our commitment to being stewards of these waters. Now we are stuck with polluting industries that brought 2,000 more oil rail cars a year through our community since the interim regulations were passed. That is not okay.

I am not even 14 years old yet and have spent almost an entire year organizing for climate when I could be hanging out with my friends. I will probably spend my birthday stuck at home because of covid-19, but I am okay with that because that means I can

spend more time organizing with my sunrise friends. It's hard doing this work and feeling like the adults in the room never care quite as much as us youth. we need you.
Please pass an amendment to limit existing facilities who can expand by the current regulations. This dangerous loophole needs to be closed if we are to come out the climate and covid crisis intact.
Please be the leaders I know you can be, thank you!
- Jadyn (13) & Team sunrise Tacoma (ages 13-24)

From: Olivia Plihal <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 2:41 PM

To: City Clerk's Office

Subject: Strengthen The Interim Regulations

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Tacoma City,

I am a student at the University of Puget Sound studying environmental policy. I moved to Washington so I could experience the natural beauty of the area. I have a passion for protecting the environment, as do so many of my classmates and other young people in the Tacoma area. Since moving here I have been so inspired by the love for the environment that is all around me, but I am disappointed by weak regulations that endanger the natural beauty of this area. I'm writing to ask that the City of Tacoma Council strengthen the current Tacoma Tideflats Interim Regulations to include existing facilities.

While the current regulations have helped protect us from some polluting industries, the ability for existing facilities to expand is dangerous for the health and wellbeing of our waters and communities.

This is important to me and so many other people. Our elected officials have a duty and responsibility to protect this area, and I trust you will make the right decision.

Thank you for your time, Olivia Plihal

Olivia Plihal oplihal@pugetsound.edu University of Puget Sound, 1500 N Warner St Tacoma, Washington 98416 From: Emelia Witt <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 2:24 PM

To: City Clerk's Office

Subject: Strengthen The Interim Regulations

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Tacoma City,

I'm writing to ask that the City of Tacoma Council strengthen the current Tacoma Tideflats Interim Regulations to include existing facilities.

While the current regulations have helped protect us from some polluting industries, the ability for existing facilities to expand is dangerous for the health and wellbeing of our waters and communities.

Thank you for your time,

Emelia Witt

Emelia Witt efwitt99@gmail.com 3410 N 8th Street Tacoma, Washington 98406 From: David Bluhm <d_bluhm@hotmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 8, 2020 12:06 PM

To: Woodards, Victoria

Cc: Kaauamo, Samantha; Nowman (Emery), Nicole; City Clerk's Office; Atkinson, Stephen; City

Manager; Hines, John; Thoms, Robert; Blocker, Keith; Ushka, Catherine; Beale, Chris; McCarthy,

Conor; Walker, Kristina; Hunter, Lillian

Subject: Re: Tideflats Interim Regulations - + 6 months ++

Importance: High

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The first part of this is largely what I said at the first hearing and public comment on Tuesday 5 May. You will recognize that I did cut some out hoping to keep it under 2 minutes, albeit failing. I would have definitely kept it under 3 minutes...

Mayor Woodards, Council Members. Good evening.

My name is David Bluhm. I am a father, husband, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin, friend, community volunteer, youth sports coach, business owner, Water Warrior, and ultimately uninvited guest of the gracious and generous Puyallup and Nisqually Nations and other Coast Salish Nations living within the colonized boundaries of the City of Tacoma and Pierce County since August 2004.

For most of the last 20 years I have refused to answer the question of what race I am on various and assorted questionnaires, healthcare intakes and the like. When given the opportunity, I declare myself multiracial. When allowed to elaborate further, I declare myself to be all races and all colors, creeds, cultures, beliefs and pronouns - all except for those that believe it is acceptable to hurt or kill another for having different beliefs than theirs, which has made it very difficult for me to accept and honor the AngloEuropean roots that lie within me until recently.

Yet I too have threatened to hurt others for having different beliefs than I, or more accurately and most recently, for accusing me of having beliefs that I do not have.

I have found myself to have kinship with people from horse ranches in South Dakota to international exchange students from Mexico and Iran that my family hosted when I was in junior high and high school in the heartland of Amerikkka in the State of Iowa, the land stolen from the Cherokee, the Sioux, the Ioway and Mesquakie and other Indigenous American Nations.

From the Athabaskan, Inupiat and G'wichin peoples, including Sarah James and her grandchildren, I learned to love the land, the water, the air and the sky in ways previously forgotten by me then to deeply respect and work with them when I first started fighting the oil industry in 1991 into 1995 when I traveled from Alaska to Washington DC to lobby to protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and G'wichin lands from the seemingly endless battle to extract oil and gases from the last known denning area for Polar Bears in North America. To Today. The oil and gas industries continue to try and tap into those lands (aka "the 1002 Region") of the Arctic Plain.

From Joann Tall, "Wen Chi Ump eh Wei" (her people depend on her) of the Lakota Sioux Nation I learned to be patient and find laughter and sense of place and belonging wherever I was in each moment, be it in Washington DC riding up an elevator with Ted Stevens and Frank Murkowski of Alaska or in Alaska holding ceremony for the wonder and glory of the Northern Lights.

I have some questions for you, knowing that you are likely unwilling to answer in this public hearing format.

Truthfully, that is wonderful, for while these may seem like questions to many, they are not. They are inquiries. They

are not meant to be answered defensively nor reactively nor immediately. They are meant for you to sit with, Be with and ruminate over.

As you should have before you ever ran for public office, which I truly hope and must trust that you did.

The 2 I intended to leave you with at tonight's first hearing are:

1) When will you do what you know is right - limit and completely zip up the interim regulations to allow no expansion for fossil fuel industries nor any toxic or noxious industries?

and 2) If unable to do what you know is right for We the People of Tacoma and Pierce County, when will you resign your position as Honorable Mayor or Council Member and get behind someone that actually has the courage to do what is right and not cave into fear of legal action by the willfully ignorant, arrogant attorneys, executives, lobbyists, pawns and bishops of the toxic and noxious industries and their ancillary industries that have destroyed that once beautiful, life giving estuary now known as the Port of Tacoma and Tideflats?!

I will leave this email at that, in addition to the email I submitted prior to Tuesdays hearing, which included the emails you and I exchanged in 2018 Mayor Woodards.

I wish you well.

I look forward to your impending displays of courage - as those that held your positions previously could and should have put forth long ago. If they had, we would not be in this mess now.

Yet we are.

Take care,

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From: David Bluhm <d_bluhm@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 12:21 PM

To: Woodards, Victoria < victoria.woodards@cityoftacoma.org>

Cc: Kaauamo, Samantha <SKAAUAMO@ci.tacoma.wa.us>; nnowman@cityoftacoma.org <nnowman@cityoftacoma.org>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org <cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org <satkinson@cityoftacoma.org <satkinson@cityoftacoma.org>; CityManager@cityoftacoma.org>; john.hines@cityoftacoma.org <cjohn.hines@cityoftacoma.org>; robert.thoms@cityoftacoma.org <robert.thoms@cityoftacoma.org>; keith.blocker@cityoftacoma.org>; catherine.ushka@cityoftacoma.org <catherine.ushka@cityoftacoma.org>; illian.hunter@cityoftacoma.org>; conor.mccarthy@cityoftacoma.org

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Subject: Re: Tideflats Interim Regulations - + 6 months ++

Dear Mayor Woodards,

With the Tideflats Interim Regs hearing coming up, I wanted to take this opportunity to communicate with you and the rest of the council.

In submitting this, I am responding to an email you sent me in November 2018, shortly after the first tideflats interim regulations hearing if I recall correctly. Your response was to my email of 6 November 2018 which I am resubmitting along with this new commentary. I also copied each council member at that time on an email identical, yet personalized for them.

Everything I said in that first email in this thread is still accurate with two exceptions:

1) It is now even more urgent, if not emergent, that you make a stand that will not be popular with the biggest players in the tideflats, on the Port of Tacoma and on ports everywhere throughout the world.

and 2) I should have included *... the impending catastrophic pandemics that will sweep our planet,*; **and all city council members* and *that will be unpopular with many of the biggest hitters/so called leaders in business and industry* ..." in the following sentence from that November 6th email (beginning of the fifth paragraph),

"Climate change, global warming, *the impending catastrophic pandemics that will sweep our planet*, and the incredibly complex conditions and future that will likely come to be if you and our other current elected leaders *and all city council members* do not take and make decisive, difficult choices *that will NOT be popular with many of the biggest hitters/so called leaders in business, industry and affiliated organizations* as soon as possible.

That rather long, now amended, sentence alone probably truly sums up where we are now, 17 months after I sent that first letter regarding the interim regulations needing to be bolstered with some exceptions - the most important being that we have new members on the city council and that, heartfully and spiritfully, many of you that have been on council since the methanol debacle which led into the LNG debacle which led into the sale of US Oil debacle etc etc have likely come to realize that while you

have all inherited a very messy situation from those that came before you if you didn't know that before. Yet another long sentence that I will leave as a paragraph of its own.

However, it is important to note that you consciously ran for, were willing to be appointed to, or otherwise accepted the positions you now hold. By doing so, you accepted the responsibility and accountability for those decisions and actions that came before you.

I have much more to say of course, but I have finally grown tired of attempting to speak something that any human has the ability to comprehend if they have even the most basic common sense, awareness and time to pay attention to what is really going on with humanity and our shared nest - Planet Earth. I am not roasting you with this comment, I am holding you accountable for being the humane, spiritual, religious, caring, wise and intelligent individuals that you can be - collectively.

I have been actively protesting the oil and other toxic, caustic industries' attempts to open urban, rural and wilderness areas to oil exploration, production, manufacturing, and transportation hubs that must be protected for innumerable reasons since 1991. It is time to move on and past that toxic and caustic past and present

situations and circumstances once and for all.

I look forward to your response, and upcoming action items.

Thank you,

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From: Woodards, Victoria < victoria.woodards@cityoftacoma.org>

Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 4:21 PM

To: d_bluhm@hotmail.com <d_bluhm@hotmail.com> **Cc:** Kaauamo, Samantha <SKAAUAMO@ci.tacoma.wa.us> **Subject:** FW: Tideflats Interim Regulations - + 6 months ++

Dear David,

Thank you so much for reaching out! I am happy to think back to the "Ride the Bus" event as it was enjoyable and very memorable to me. Thank you for sharing in that fun event!

I pride myself on being accessible and open to conversation with all community members. I truly believe that open conversations are the only way to make progress together as a City. In my first months as Mayor, I have made time to speak with people who feel strongly on all sides of the LNG issue, including meetings with members of the "Redefine Tacoma" group that ardently oppose LNG.

Your email was incredibly timely. I want to assure you that I am committed to keeping the work moving forward on the Tideflats Subarea Planning Process as a whole. I am hopeful that the Steering Committee for that work will land on a definitive work plan by the end of 2018. This plan will have a lot of opportunity for public comment, and I hope you will remain actively involved on this issue.

Thank you again for contacting me.

Yours in Service,



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From: David Bluhm [mailto:d_bluhm@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 6, 2018 4:30 PM

To: Woodards, Victoria < victoria.woodards@cityoftacoma.org
Cc: Kaauamo, Samantha < SKAAUAMO@ci.tacoma.wa.us
Subject: Tideflats Interim Regulations - + 6 months ++

Importance: High

Dear Mayor Woodards,

Thank you for taking on the daunting role of being an elected official. I hope you are finding more than brief moments of fulfillment in it. I also hope and trust that you take your role as a representative of your constituents seriously. Not just in your role to better the economic standing of the City of Tacoma, but in protecting and preserving the best interests, health and well being of each individual resident within Tacoma. In my opinion, the latter must come first and foremost - that being the health and well being of each individual resident.

My daughter and I rode the bus tour with you last spring. I can't recall the *official* name of the event right now, but we enjoyed it very much. Your willingness to reach out and be with us "commoners" (:D) spoke volumes to me at that time. Given the number of encounters you have you likely don't recall, but I wore by "No LNG" Water Warrior shirt that day on the bus. I'm pretty sure you noticed and were nervous when you saw it after you called on me for a question during the tour. You might not have called on me if you had seen it first:). I'm happy to say I kept it on subject and swear I saw and felt your relief when I did keep it on point.

All that aside yet also included, I am writing you as a father, husband, constituent, business and homeowner in District 4 just off 38th and McKinley.

Please do everything you can, including offering your own vote, for bolstering/expanding and extending the Tideflats Interim Regulations until the entire Sub-Area Plan is complete and ready to implement - be that another 6, 12, 18 or 24 months. I will not be surprised if that goes out to an additional 24 months given the enormous magnitude of considerations for which the Subarea Plan must address and account.

Climate change and global warming and the incredibly complex conditions and future that will likely come to be if you and our other current elected leaders do not take and make decisive, difficult choices as soon as possible. While it will not be easy, you are at the helm of the city of Tacoma exactly at the time that a profound and fundamental paradigm shift must take place. You have the difficult choice of being a true pioneer or following the old, tired, bankrupt, toxic, spineless ways of your predecessors.

For many, a paradigm shift sounds like "change", but I propose that it does not have to be. While we all know that the current paradigm - which for all intents and purposes seems to be "profits over people" - is not working for us, a new paradigm seems and sounds like pain and agony. It just doesn't have to be that way. It's

not going to be easy, but it can be simple if we don't overthink it.

When that new paradigm is ready, it will simply shift into place thereby replacing the old dysfunctional one. I believe this is a concept that both Buckminster Fuller and Thomas Edison addressed in their lifetimes. Business and industry have vested interests in keeping the current paradigm of business and industry as usual. They have a vested interested in instilling fear in the people that it will be painful and agonizing "change". The new paradigm must include a profound shift in the way of doing business, industry and consumption of goods, materials and resources and business and industry are so fundamentally set in their way of doing business that they can not see the other side of the paradigm shift that is necessary to leave this planet habitable for future generations.

Please restrict any further expansion of toxic industry, be it under construction (Puget Sound Energy's LNG) or those that have been truly existing and operating - including fossil fuels, chemical processing, storage, recycling and/or manufacturing. Please clarify that no smelter will ever exist on the Port or Tideflats again as well. There is some confusion as to whether or not a smelter could be allowed to operate down there again. Please make sure that can never happen again and let your people of Tacoma know that is the case.

Don't we all ultimately know that those businesses and industries that do have toxic emissions and byproducts NEVER should have been on the Port and in the Tideflats in the first place?! The only reason they were allowed there is because of the ignorance, including willful ignorance, of those same business and industry leaders of 100 + years ago. Granted - there was ignorance of the residents of early Tacoma as well. Most had no idea what was even going on down in the Tideflats and on the new Port because they were busy trying to survive, keep food on the table and a roof over their head. Those same leaders that were arrogantly and ignorantly (willfully so at some level) leading Tacoma, its residents and the first inhabitants (The Puyallup Peoples) toward a toxic, caustic future.

Seriously - how could those historic "leaders" not know that some or most of the business and industry they put down there was bad, toxic or at least poisonous for peoples', marine and wild life?! They clearly weren't stupid or oblivious people. That is why I call them willfully ignorant and lacking common sense. All they really had to do was open their eyes and consider everything around them that they might be impacting.

They wanted to be on the Port and in the Tideflats for pure and simple reasons of profit. They all could and should have been required to build their processing and production facilities ten to 100 miles inland, away from estuaries and the waters of Puget Sound and the Salish Sea and transport their finished products to the Port and Tideflats for shipping only. Instead they are on the water and will be in the water within 10 years if you don't contribute your position as a leader toward and fully into a less toxic, more sustainable future.

It may seem like it is too late to change it, but it is not. You are part of the leadership that we need to reverse the ignorant decisions of the past and make it right again.

Business and industry will argue that "it's not economically feasible" and other such nonsense, all the while reeling in unprecedented profits to cover exorbitant salaries of top officers, profits to local and foreign owned parent companies, and expansions of their existing facilities and capabilities toward an equally or more toxic future.

Please have the courage and the backbone to take on that challenge despite the seeming all mighty, all powerful businesses and industry. Their power lies in monetary wealth and intimidation practices. It is time to cut that false, yet all so seemingly real, power back to it's roots and its proper place in our society.

Please bolster/expand and extend the Tideflats Interim Regulations another 6 months. Please step up to, above and beyond our and your own greatest expectations and do what is truly right for the future of Tacoma and this region.

Anything less would not be reasonable, acceptable or in good faith of your role as a public representative

concerned for the many future generations to come.

Thank you,

David Bluhm Tacoma Resident - 98404 From: David Bluhm <d_bluhm@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 7, 2020 3:14 PM

To: Woodards, Victoria; Kaauamo, Samantha; Nowman (Emery), Nicole; City Clerk's Office; Atkinson,

Stephen; City Manager; Hines, John; Thoms, Robert; Blocker, Keith; Ushka, Catherine; Beale, Chris;

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Subject: Re: Please consider posting, discussing in an open council meeting, and/or making flyers available at

grocery stores, parks, etc. re "Murder Hornet"

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Note: Updated Facebook post + picture with metric ruler and another link to another useful WA DAg website page:

"If anybody is worried about the Giant Asian Hornet/Asian Giant Hornet/Murder Hornet/Earth's Biggest Baddest Hornet that has distracted from the reality of Novel CoV/COVID19, please do some basic research before propagating fear by using a name given it by non-scientists. The Scientific names are Vespa mandarinia and Vespa mandarinia japonica. Body can be up to 1.8 - 2 inches and wingspan 3 inches in full adult form. Attached picture shows a metric ruler (cm).

Please don't automatically kill something you believe to be one. Get away from it safely but do your best to truly see it without blinders of fear.

Just so you know, you're more likely to die in a plane crash than by one of these even if you live in their home turf in Japan or China.

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There are pictures and a lot of good information and additional links at that page.

There is a great video and more info here: (scroll way down for video) https://agr.wa.gov/departments/insects-pests-and-weeds/insects/hornets

Hornets | Washington State Department of Agriculture

Thank you for visiting our Asian giant hornet page. You may have heard about "murder hornets" in a recent New York Times article or one of the many other news or social media outlets that picked up the story. If you are NOT a resident of Washington State and wish to report a suspected Asian giant hornet sighting, please contact your state's department of agriculture.

agr.wa.gov

WA Dept of Agriculture (WADAg) is working on preventing these hornets from getting permanently established here in WA & other states and countries in conjunction with other state and country DAgs and their entymology labs. Some idiots and pundits in MSM labeled these as "murder hornets".

It would be grand if you could help stop perpetuating the largely serious mislabeling as comforting as it may be to have a more easily identifiable influence that can cause death to combat the essential invisible nature of Novel CoV and COVID19."

VTY,

DDB

From: David Bluhm < <u>d_bluhm@hotmail.com</u>> Sent: Thursday, May 7, 2020 12:46 PM

To: Woodards, Victoria < victoria.woodards@cityoftacoma.org>; Kaauamo, Samantha < SKAAUAMO@ci.tacoma.wa.us>; nnowman@cityoftacoma.org < nnowman@cityoftacoma.org < cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org < cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org

Subject: Please consider posting, discussing in an open council meeting, and/or making flyers available at grocery stores, parks, etc. re "Murder Hornet"

Hi Mayor Woodards and City Council Members et al.

kristina.walker@cityoftacoma.org < kristina.walker@cityoftacoma.org >

You likely have people working on this in the city and likely have this information, but I'm trying to take some pressure off of my wife and her lab partners for WA Department of Agriculture Invasive Species Entomology Lab.

This link probably has the most accurate and regularly updated information about the most current visible terror that is largely unnecessarily roaring through the country. It also includes a link for reporting sightings, which must be considered unverified if there is no picture attached until further researched:

https://www.maps.arcgis.com/apps/GeoForm/index.html? appid=e3720c303c414210967920b07bad13f5&fbclid=IwAR1BJYSxKSFW5UyXYt73nA_NI5LywQJ3DZVUAorn_oje17N5UZ9tF7Ea7e4

Here is a tiny url for the same link: https://tinyurl.com/ya6pa3cu

On a positive note, it is distracting people from Novel CoV/COVID19 fears.

This was my Facebook post about it 2 days ago (below).

FYI My wife Angela is a pest biologist for WA Dept of Agriculture and works in the Entomology Lab usually but from home now of course. They are currently tracking, confirming/verifying and/or denying all reports within Washington and surrounding states as I type this. Most reports come in without pictures of course.

We can have someone available for interviews if City of Tacoma would like additional details.

Somebody reported a sighting last weekend and posted a picture. Picture was of a small boy peeing. You could see the stream, not the, um, equipment. No giant hornet in sight. Sigh.

Anyway, my facebook post:

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Subject: Please consider posting, discussing in an open council meeting, and/or making flyers available at

grocery stores, parks, etc. re "Murder Hornet"

Importance: High

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Hi Mayor Woodards and City Council Members et al.

You likely have people working on this in the city and likely have this information, but I'm trying to take some pressure off of my wife and her lab partners for WA Department of Agriculture Invasive Species Entomology Lab.

This link probably has the most accurate and regularly updated information about the most current visible terror that is largely unnecessarily roaring through the country. It also includes a link for reporting sightings, which must be considered unverified if there is no picture attached until further researched:

https://www.maps.arcgis.com/apps/GeoForm/index.html?appid=e3720c303c414210967920b07bad13f5&fbclid=IwAR1BJYSxKSFW5UyXYt73nA NI5LywQJ3DZVUAorn oje17N5UZ9tF7Ea7e4

Here is a tiny url for the same link: https://tinyurl.com/ya6pa3cu

On a positive note, it is distracting people from Novel CoV/COVID19 fears.

This was my Facebook post about it 2 days ago (below).

FYI My wife Angela is a pest biologist for WA Dept of Agriculture and works in the Entomology Lab usually but from home now of course. They are currently tracking, confirming/verifying and/or denying all reports within Washington and surrounding states as I type this. Most reports come in without pictures of course.

We can have someone available for interviews if City of Tacoma would like additional details.

Somebody reported a sighting last weekend and posted a picture. Picture was of a small boy peeing. You could see the stream, not the, um, equipment. No giant hornet in sight. Sigh.

Anyway, my facebook post:

"If anybody is worried about the Giant Asian Hornet/Asian Giant Hornet/Murder Hornet/Earth's Biggest Baddest Hornet that has distracted from the reality of Novel CoV/COVID19, please do some basic research before propagating fear by using a name given it by non-scientists.

Please don't automatically kill something you believe to be one. Get away from it safely but do your best to truly see it without blinders of fear.

Just so you know, you're more likely to die in a plane crash than by one of these even if you live in their home turf in Japan or China.

Please report any suspected sightings with a picture or rough description (colors, size, location, time, date etc) a drawing here:

https://www.maps.arcgis.com/apps/GeoForm/index.html...

There are pictures and a lot of good information and additional links at that page.

WA Dept of Agriculture (WADAg) is working on preventing these hornets from getting permanently established here in WA & other states and countries in conjunction with other state and country DAgs and their entymology labs. Some idiots and pundits in MSM labeled these as "murder hornets".

It would be grand if you could help stop perpetuating the largely serious mislabeling as comforting as it may be to have a more easily identifiable influence that can cause death to combat the essential invisible nature of Novel CoV and COVID19."

Hope to see you Saturday.

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