

Where is the independent environmental impact statement that was attached to the previous Co. Council approved Pacific Raceway Ordinance??

The EIS was a requirement prior to any type of development or further expansion of the property.

It isn't here and the obvious reason is the developer, PR, knows that this development could not pass an environmental impact study. The King Co. council sponsor for this ordinance also knows that it would not pass an environmental impact study so they left it out.

Gravel mining on a steep slope is dangerous. Just ask Snohomish Co. who had a major slide at Oso. 17 months ago. That was caused by prior gravel mining on the steep slope. This new ordinance allows Pacific Raceway to remove, move and crush gravel without restriction or without the completed master plan.

Pacific Raceways is about 50 feet below highway 18 which has already had a major slide. The whole area is in a landslide zone. Where is the data, to legitimize this open ended 20 year mining operation. Let alone the water problems for the Soos Creek Plateau, Soosette Creek, and the fish hatchery.

What about the noise that would come from two dragstrips instead of just one plus another oval track, a drifting track, motorcycle track and road racing track? The unimaginable noise would be unhealthy for any resident surviving the slide that could put highway 18 to the bottom of the steep slope, covering the Burlington Northern Rail Road tracks, blocking Soos Creek and Soosette creek while taking out the Pacific Park housing track and the salmon hatchery.

This would have sounded extreme to the Snohomish residents before the Oso slide but not now. Without the independent environmental study there is nothing to justify, support, or legitimize this proposed massive open ended ordinance.