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To Whom it may concern,

I, Stefani Porter, Easton resident, am very against the Easton Truck Stop Proposal. A truck stop will only bring traffic, danger, noise, lights, harm our wildlife, harm our lifestyle, and give nothing back to the local community.

Before I get into my big "why not's" I want to be clear that there is simply no need for a truck stop in Easton. The stops in North Bend and Ellensburg are only 75 miles (70 minutes) apart.

More importantly, the negative impacts of such a development in our town would be **DETRIMENTAL** to our local ecosystems, our quality of life, our safety, and infrastructure.

**ENVIRONMENT-** I can't stress this enough... **STOP MOWING DOWN OUR FORESTS!!!!** Do we really need to replace our abundant, life giving, green land with pavement? When will we change "The Evergreen State" nickname to "The Pavement State"?

This goes further than just the trees. This will hurt the waterways, the wildlife, the fish. Are we too naive to learn from the past? Are we just going to keep pushing the development train without considering the consequences? This isn't a debate on carbon footprints and climate change. This is a demand to **STOP MOWING DOWN OUR CHILDRENS' LAND.**

**SAFETY-** Easton does not have the police force to cover this increase in traffic. Easton doesn't even **HAVE** a police force.

**QUALITY OF LIFE -** Easton is a beautiful, small town full of people who enjoy being away from it all. We pride ourselves on the beauty, the solitude, and the simplicity of our town. We are proud to share the road with the elk, the horses, and the snowmobiles. We are proud to live in one of the last places with little to no traffic, and only a handful of stops signs throughout all of town. Easton is one of only a few places like this left in this state, and we intend to keep it that way.

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND EMPLOYMENT -** Take a look around town. We don't have enough employees to keep our local mom and pop businesses open, let alone some corporate conglomerate that provides little to no benefits for the locals.

And who will remove all that snow all winter?! Surely a truck stop in Easton would be forced to be closed half of the year due to snow removal issues.

This is no place for a truck stop.

Sincerely,  
Stefani Porter  
Easton Resident, Parent and Business Owner since 2009