

# Environmental Justice Council

## Position on the Proposed Goldendale Pump Storage Project at *Pushpum*

Adopted by the Council on July 2, 2024

The Environmental Justice Council (Council) stands with and supports the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation in their opposition to the pump storage project at *Pushpum* (FERC Project No. 14861-002) that would cause negative and irreparable damage to Traditional Cultural Properties and traditional foods and medicines. Therefore the Council directs Council staff to 1) work with the Yakama Nation and other impacted Tribes to draft letters on the pump storage project at *Pushpum*, that uphold the Council's principles on Tribal Sovereignty; self-determination; and free, prior, and informed consent for non-Tribal projects, and uplift and support the Yakama Nation's positions on this project at its current stage and moving forward as needed and 2) to submit these letters to the relevant decision-making bodies on behalf of the full Environmental Justice Council.

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The meeting materials for this meeting can be found here: [July 2, 2024 Special Environmental Justice Council Meeting Materials.pdf \(waportal.org\)](#)

The meeting recording for this meeting can be found here: [https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/ZNs4OrIGgk\\_wLmzpg1R45ieDeJQE16qmN0G4RI2J852fvB5zyMDGvMXbW9zQ\\_D9a.SRU6uXMkMfKsQjiC](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/ZNs4OrIGgk_wLmzpg1R45ieDeJQE16qmN0G4RI2J852fvB5zyMDGvMXbW9zQ_D9a.SRU6uXMkMfKsQjiC)