

# STOP THE PROPOSED CONCRETE BATCH PLANT!

The Clark County Council and Knife River want to build a **high-capacity** concrete batch plant immediately adjacent to and upwind of our neighborhoods. This plant will produce up to 200 truck loads daily and run 24 hours-a-day. In addition to the 200 daily concrete trucks, there will be a constant stream of large-truck traffic delivering raw materials, along with the noise of the materials being dumped and moved into holding bays. Beeeeeeep... beeeeeep... beeeeeeeep around the clock.

Concrete batch plants like this are one of the leading sources of particulate matter pollution and produce large quantities of silicate dust, black carbon, nitrogen dioxide, and volatile organic compounds. All of these are **significant health risks** to those regularly exposed. In Houston, Texas, particulate matter alone was linked to *5,200* premature deaths in 2015.

The plant being proposed just hundreds of feet from homes and families will feature a 9-story (~95 foot tall) central tower, fed by multiple open-air conveyor belts. In addition to the daily dose of silicate dust, expect dramatically increased noise, intense construction-style lighting throughout the night, and, for many, low-frequency vibration whenever trucks are being loaded, often starting between 2:00 and 4:00 AM to meet typical construction schedules.

## **THE COUNTY COUNCIL APPARENTLY WANTS THIS, AND IS PUTTING TAX REVENUE AND DEVELOPER INTERESTS AHEAD OF YOUR HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE!**

A few months ago, a spot zoning exemption changed a single parcel to Rail Industrial (IR) despite being previously rejected *twice* by the County! What changed? The exemption was granted with no notice to area residents and no chance for public comment. They haven't even updated the county maps or databases to reflect it. It's almost like they didn't want us to know...

For decades, this area has had a Light Industrial (IL) zoning and we've happily co-existed. These businesses bring jobs and growth to the county, without being a danger to nearby residents. None of us moved here expecting to live next to an industrial plant, running around the clock and spewing waste across our homes, yards, gardens, and families. Zoning is supposed to *protect* us.

## **TIME IS SHORT!**

Knife River intends to submit their formal application in February. We have only a few weeks to make ourselves heard and stop this potentially lethal neighbor from being built. It is imperative that the voices of the thousands of people who will be negatively impacted by this plant are heard.

***Please don't sit this one out - there's too much at stake!***

Join us at the two following events:

### **FRIENDS OF CENTRAL VANCOUVER COMMUNITY MEETING**

**JANUARY 13 (This Friday) @ 6:00 PM**  
Cascades Presbyterian Church  
9503 NE 86th Street

Learn more about what we know so far  
and what's coming up.

### **CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING**

**JANUARY 17 (Next Tuesday) @ 6:00 PM**  
1300 Franklin St, Suite 680  
(Sixth Floor)

It's **vital** we show up *in large numbers and  
in person!*

Get more information, including maps to these locations, at <https://focv.info>