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Dear elected officials of the Snohomish County and Washington State,

I am writing this message, and at the same time hiding inside of my house with all windows and doors shut. I should leave the house and the area because the toxic smell is getting inside. Right now, there is a strong smell of chemicals outside of my home from a toxic aerial spray by Campbell Global 5 or 6 miles away from me, in the Gold Bar area, North of Hwy 2. It smells strong and bad, and then if YOU breathe it, it will hurt YOUR nose and air passages. I rinsed my mouth and nose with fresh water filtered by reverse osmosis filter. Conventional filters can not filter toxic chemicals from my shallow-well water. I only had several breaths outside to get my pets in the house. I hope those several gulps of toxic air will not effect me for the rest of my life. Thank God, my daughter is in school far away from home.

Local people say on Facebook that they are not happy about aerial spraying and contamination of air, water and soil by toxics. Some of them are very uncomfortable. They understand it is dangerous for health of people and everything around them. Here is one of many comments on Facebook by another local mom who lives in the Gold Bar, and who was lucky enough to know about this spray (by the way, we have many families with children in this area and an elementary school):

"ok thank-you. they sprayed until late last night and unfortunately chris opened the windows thinking it was getting dark and they were done. He made sure everything was closed up this morning but will remind my mother in law and daughter. So tired of being poisoned left and right..feel like I am playing dodge ball"

I can tell with confidence, watching a helicopter spraying poison and breathing toxic air is a life changing experience and you all should experience it. Would you please give me a pleasure of your company the next time Weyerhaeuser and/or Campbell Global, or other industrial tree farming corporation sprays toxic chemicals aurally next to our communities on their tree farms in the Skykomish River Valley. We will all stand under helicopters downwind to have the strongest and the best effect and experience, about 0-6 miles away, as are our communities. I will inform you as soon as I get information from DNR about the next toxic areal spray and hopefully we can arrange a tour with all of you and an informative briefing about [toxic ingredients vs. human health effects](#).

In the meantime, would you please kindly let me know what you can do to stop toxic aerial sprays in the Skykomish River Valley and to stop poisoning children, adults and everything else around us. The community of the Skykomish River Valley will be waiting for your response.

For more information about the sprays, please go to [Chemical Spraying](#) at [svena.org](http://svena.org)

Warmest regards,

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