



Stockbridge-Munsee Community

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Dear Governor Walker:

I am writing you today as an individual who is employed by the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians/North Star Mohican Casino Resort, to urge that you put a stop to the unlawful expansion of Ho-Chunk Nation's ancillary gaming facility in Wittenberg into a full-blown casino-resort. The expansion from an ancillary facility into a casino-resort is a breach of the Ho-Chunk Nation's gaming compact with the State of Wisconsin and will disproportionately hurt the Stockbridge-Munsee people and those of us employed by the tribe.

The Stockbridge-Munsee's economic lifeblood relies on the revenue from the North Star Mohican Casino Resort, which is located only 16 miles from the already non-compliant Ho-Chunk Wittenberg site. This non-compliant expansion will ripple to the reservation's surrounding townships and Shawano County, because the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe is the largest employer in Shawano County.

The Ho-Chunk Wittenberg expansion puts the future of the Stockbridge-Munsee and the hundreds of County families – like mine – who rely on it at risk. While other Wisconsin tribes will also see multi-million dollar losses as a result of the Wittenberg expansion, the impact on the Stockbridge-Munsee is by far the greatest, with annual machine revenue at the North Star Mohican Casino Resort projected to drop by \$22 million, or nearly 37 percent, according to a recently commissioned economic impact study.

As an employee whose livelihood relies on the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe and the North Star Mohican Casino Resort, I respectfully and urgently request that you put a stop to the Ho-Chunk Nation's unlawful Wittenberg expansion.

Sincerely,

Employee of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians/North Star Mohican Casino Resort