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I strongly support the WA DOE's proposal. The Salish Sea's endangered southern resident orcas once thrived thanks to plentiful thousands of Chinook salmon. Today with Columbia River/Snake River Chinook salmon populations in severe decline, the orcas number just 75 individuals. The most effective, short-term means of increasing Chinook salmon numbers is upping spill levels to what is measured as "125% total dissolved gas" starting NOW in 2019.

Washington's Orca Task Force recommended spill be increased, and Governor Jay Inslee supports that recommendation. Now the WA Dept. of Ecology has officially proposed modifying state "total dissolved gas criteria" to allow for an increase in the two rivers.

I add my support for increased spill, since the Columbia watershed affects Idaho as well!.