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This is a Public Comment regarding changes to Chapter 173-201A WAS Water Quality Standards Multiple Revisions Formal Draft.

I want to take necessary steps to facilitate salmon migration on the Columbia and Snake River systems. As recommended, the adjustment of flow downstream at critical times will help move salmon and steelhead juveniles on their trip to the Pacific.

As a novice citizen scientist, I am aware of some of the issues with increasing flow but I believe the benefits are worth the risks in this effort.

I am very alarmed that individuals are opposing these efforts to help salmon recovery. I believe it is our ethical obligation to take drastic steps to save these iconic species. The farmers and barge owners have other options to grow and market their crops. Farmers can grow alternate crops such as dry land wheat and crops can be moved to market by rail or truck. The salmonids have no options except the altered and damaged river systems. No one should be proud of their efforts to cause the extinction of an important cultural symbol and valuable food source.

I support the adjustment of regulations to facilitate salmon migration.