

## Judith Akins

I am a resident of Bellingham and regularly use this trail both for walking and biking. I find that keeping the blackberries on the upland site and fencing this area off is appalling, to say the least. I have picked blackberries here and I don't think they are safe no matter what your indicators are. I feel that they should be removed and either capped, putting large boulders there would protect the public along with a fence. I am finding this site for information very hard to navigate. I was looking for the graphs for the alternatives 1-5 but could not find them. My comment had to do with these graphs but I believe your preferred alternative is #2. I would prefer alternative #3 before #2. I believe the upland cap, the enhanced BIO remediation, monitoring natural attenuation, and institutional control inspections are a necessity. I prefer #3 because soil vapor extraction and in situ solidification are considered. I understand that alternative #5 is too expensive for the level of cleanup and Alternative #1 gives us no protection for the cost. However, for the cost versus cleanup, I do think #3 gives us greater security over #2. I would encourage you to enhance alternative 2 and consider some of the enhancements between 3,4,5 to upgrade alternative #2. Thank you for your reaching out to the public and your very informative public meetings.