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Kristen, here are a few questions that I have regarding the Edmonds Marsh:

The courts and legislature have adopted a public policy through court orders and budgets mandating that barriers imposed by culverts be rebuilt so that salmon resources can be enhanced. This may cost the taxpayers **billions** of dollars. Why should the DCA weigh costs in a manner that allows Chevron to avoid a few million dollars in cost (well under 11.427 million dollars) that would create a path through the Unocal site for salmon?

Why was there no consideration that in order to meet the goals of salmon recovery, perhaps not all of the newly identified locations of toxic waste need be excavated?

Why does Ecology say that they do not want to dictate the use of the Unocal cite when the issue is not whether Ecology supports that use (salmon recovery) but whether the Feasibility study should consider a salmon recovery estuary as a potential future use for the site?

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