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I support Alternative SL-5, full and complete removal of contaminated materials from the site, for these reasons: 1) This shoreline, off shore and upland habitat is too valuable for the long term environmental health of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to leave the contaminants 'capped and covered'. Not enough is known about the role of the area's extensive network of underground waterways. 2) It would be detrimental to the long term growth and financial success of the City of PA to abandon this much premier waterfront property to a permanent non usable area. Short term costs incurred by removal to an appropriate controlled hazardous waste facility will be vastly outweighed by the long term benefits potential for development and recreation. 3) Future adherence to DOE covenants and restrictions cannot be guaranteed. By allowing cap & cover to proceed the City would be greatly elevating their risk of responsibility for future negative environmental and financial impacts.

Thank you.