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I walk along the waterfront adjacent to the Rayonier site on a regular basis. When I look at the industrial wasteland situated in such a beautiful place and think about all the contaminants still there and the creosote out in the water, continuing to contaminate it, I think about how wonderful it would be for the community, visitors, and wildlife to have the site fully cleaned up and safe for the community to use, the creek restored so salmon and other wildlife can thrive, and a useable beautiful outdoor area near the water for the community and visitors alike to enjoy. Having read about the different cleanup options and learned a little about how this company has behaved in a bad faith way toward the community in the past, I believe SL-5 (the complete clean-up) to be the only way to go. Anything less is a shame. Our beautiful country is littered with such sites that companies have left behind after extracting all the profits they can and leaving the communities behind to deal with their toxic mess. We need to do better. Port Angeles deserves better.