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We are recently retired and new to the most beautiful state in the country. In order to keep it beautiful and healthy, we must be good stewards and protectors of the environment we hold dear. That is why I fully support option 5 as it pertains to the Rayonier pulp mill in Port Angeles. The negative effects on both nature and humans is long term and half measures will not suffice. Salmon is an integral part of our evergreen state and we take that charge very seriously. Keystone species have that name for a reason and we must protect them. Capping contamination is a gamble we cannot afford and a dangerous game of kicking the problem down the road. All peoples will be affected in the most adverse way if we, and you, the stewards and caretakers fail to do our jobs. Restoration, of Ennis Creek and the natural shorelines, are integral to this mission. The world is a connected place. History has shown us in so many ways that what happens in one place affects another. Let's do what is right and protect Tacoma and the surrounding beautiful places and make the Evergreen State not just a slogan, but a way of life. I'm ready to do my part. I hope the Washington State Department of Ecology is as well.