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As a long-time resident of Port Angeles, I am writing to strongly urge the DOE to choose alternative SL5 in the clean up of the old Rayonier Mill site at the mouth of Ennis Creek along the Port Angeles shoreline. Complete removal of the 4,000 creosote-treated pilings and the contaminated materials along with the restoration of the estuary that existed before the creek was narrowed and straightened to accommodate the mill development is the only reasonable solution.

Beginning with the DOE Public Meeting and Open House a wave of consensus has moved through all sectors of this community. During the City Council meeting a couple of weeks later it continued to grow with a unanimous vote by the council and so many community voices have continued to join in. It has become clear that the costs for SL3 (capping the problem) have been underestimated and the benefits have been overestimated. Only a permanent solution that removes contaminated materials away from this sensitive ecological site to an appropriate off-site landfill will allow full restoration. Implementation of SL5 will once again honor and celebrate the cultural significance and long term ecological health of this site for generations to come.

Thank you.