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I urge the state of Washington to put Vancouver Lake high on the priority list for cleanup. This is a natural waterbody within a metropolitan area that offers numerous recreation and environmental values and is affected by various threats. Vancouver Lake offers swimming, boating and other opportunities to a wide range of people, many who have little access to other waterbodies farther from their residences. Ecologically, the lake is part of the Columbia River ecosystem, linked hydrologically, so it has significance and connection to the Northwest region as a whole.