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I wish to express my opinion regarding the protection of the Green River and its designation as an Outstanding Resource Waters. It is a unique body of pristine water, eligible for designation as a Wild & Scenic river. It is also an important habitat for steelhead and a spawning ground for endangered salmon. It contains old growth trees and provides habitat for the Northern spotted owl. It is critically important to protect this environment and give it Tier III(A) designation, to prohibit degradation of water quality. As a lifelong resident of Oregon, I am proud that 3 bodies of water in Oregon have been designated ORWs. Let's do the same for Washington.