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Washington's rivers sustain wildlife habitat. With climate change and growing population, there is greater stress on our waters which will threaten our lives and the lives we share in this state. The forests along the Green River contain some of the last remaining stands of old-growth trees in the area to survive the Mount St. Helens blast. These old-growth stands supply critical habitat for old-growth dependent species, and old growth is getting more and more endangered. With this special opportunity we can protect some of the state's most outstanding waters and prevent degradation

Please designate the Cascade, Green, and Napeequa river systems as the state's first Outstanding Resource Waters so that Washingtonians can enjoy these waters now and for generations to come. Thank you.