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This program has been hidden from the public for years to prevent pushback by the citizens of Washington. Since 2023 Washington's Dept. of Ecology has been working with tribes and various government agencies. Now after all that time, the public comment period closes August 29th, less than 100 days from rollout. This is manipulative lack of honest disclosure by the Dept. of Ecology and the Washington government agencies. Shame on you.

As is often the case, the wording used in the plan is not backed by any valid data. The research has not been provided, or perhaps (no doubt) was never done. Testing water upstream/downstream of the property(ies) in question before imposing restrictions. No punishment is justified without your office providing documented evidence of potential harm of said property(ies). The Federal Government standard targets intentional discharges but the Dept. of Ecology removed the word which enables them to create fictional (made up, not documented or able to be proven) reasons for discharge violations. This is another example of taking of private property by the administrative state in order to hamstring landowners with the goal of furthering restricting their activities for the goal of removing agricultural/farming in Washington state. It starts an inch at a time then grows with more bureaucratic regulations/requirements until the property rights are gutted. Then in comes the NGOs with the 'land trusts' to complete the coup and the property is taken away from private or public use for the planned future of 15-minute cities (which is why this is not including cities or suburbs, in time suburbs will be targeted too). These ploys may fool many but not all. STOP hurting the citizens and taking away our sovereignty.