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Hello. I am writing to oppose the proposed Chehalis River Basin Flood damage reduction project. The Puget Sound's healthy environment is what makes life meaningful in Washington. The sound impacts everyone's lives on many levels. Some of the adverse impacts this dam would have is on fish, wildlife, wetlands and water quality. To destroy this deeply important river would mean reduction genetic diversity of salmon, magnifying ongoing declines, and increasing water temperature. This is life or death for our southern resident orcas. As well as our quality of life. This project will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars and not protect communities from extreme floods. The state has said this dam will harm salmon. We are all connected to salmon here in the puget sound.

Better options: floodplain restoration

Wetland recovery

Setback levees

Voluntary buyout of flood prone homes.