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I'm writing to encourage strong opposition to this project. We've already learned this lesson, many times over. We're working hard in the region and spending extensive funding to unbuild ineffective and expensive flood control infrastructure and instead facilitate the restoration of natural floodplain processes that provide not only functional flood risk reduction but myriad other ecological and social benefits. This should be the focus in this system, as well - removing unsustainable infrastructure from the floodplain and facilitating the protection and restoration of functional floodplain habitat. We have the information and the history to inform a better decision here, and the DEIS clearly identifies negative impacts, though cannot capture the broader extent of long-term damage were the project to move forward. We can do better than this.