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I have serious concerns about the unintended consequences of the proposed Chehalis River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Project. The upper Chehalis River is one of only three main spawning areas for Chinook and Coho salmon and Steelhead in the Basin. The cumulative impacts to salmon populations over the past 50 years since I moved to Washington are catastrophic, but over and over again, salmon get sacrificed to other priorities.

To address the very real dangers of flooding, I urge you to look to the Local Actions Non-Dam Alternative, which can be implemented sooner at much less cost with much less environmental damage.