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A dam won't stop major flooding long term on the Chehalis, but it will destroy irreplaceable habitat as the DEIS clearly outlines. In addition, the Chehalis provides critical habitat for salmon, elk, birds, steelhead, lamprey, beavers, and otters that a dam will permanently disrupt. The communities that border the Chehalis deserve real flood solutions, not a project that harms wildlife and wastes public dollars. Restoring floodplains, strengthening local infrastructure, and investing in resilience are smarter, safer, science-backed options.