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• The Chehalis River is the largest watershed entirely within the state of Washington and one of the only remaining free flowing (undammed) rivers on the west coast. It is one of the top salmon producing rivers in the state, and the majority are wild fish as opposed to hatchery. This is an era of dam removal, not new construction. Around the country, dams are being removed because of the damage they cause to rivers, fish and communities. • The dam would cost up to \$2 billion. There is no plan for how to pay for it, but the cost would likely go to Washington tax payers. • Alternate plans already exist through the Local Actions Non-Dam proposal. These would benefit the entire basin as opposed to the proposed facility, which would only protect some structures some of the time.