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I am in support of building a dam. However, getting Tribal approval will likely not happen, as it can be seen as a violation to Treaty Rights, specifically for the Quinault (a Treaty Tribe). Make the decision and be prepared to go to court for a long time. It may be worth increasing non dam alternatives. For example, we had OCB out, with engineers to look at our house. We were out on a list, but no information given since. That was 2 years ago. I have since gotten bids for raising my house, and the price is reasonable(ish) for the size of the project. From what I understand its a lack of construction personnel to complete the projects. These seem like great areas to focus on getting some solutions and some positive visibility. For good PR we need more articles about homes being preemptively saved.