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Please consider the buffer widths and vegetation composition described by the GLO surveyors. Tom Shroeder compiled and analyzed them for SW Washington. His paper called 'presettlement vegetation of the SW Washington' shows the width and veg types of the chehalis. When you review this, consider the types of flood events that created these sorts of vegetation communities and how those veg types would change if any by a given flood event.

You have toads. please consider the toad habitat there that probably consists of relatively frequently moved gravel bars in little alcoves near the mainstem. What forms those? What forms those depths that are conducive to toads. Should vegetation be promoted or avoided. Would the dam form an ecological trap for any toads that may be attracted to the remnant pool upstream of the proposed dam. Toads are so common in reservoirs like up at Keechelus etc that I'd think they may be attracted to this dam. Do toads use the Mud Mountain dam. Are they successful?