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The draft EIS states that the FRE project will lower flood waters in the Doty area by 10 feet. Since Doty has never flooded, this statement is misleading (false).

Appendix N-2 if the draft EIS, Fig N.2-3a, does not show a flood plain in the Doty area.

If there is no flood plain outside that deep channel, how can flood waters be lowered by 10 feet?

The answer is simple. The Chehalis river between Pe Ell and through Doty is mostly in a deep channel which accomodates all high waters (which you choose to call floods). By definition, if the water stays in that deep channel, it is not flood water. It is just high water which does not flood anything.

A more correct statement is that the FRE project will lower the level of water in the Chehalis river near Doty by 10 feet. Remember, there is no FLOOD water in Doty itself.