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I do not support a plan to construct a large dam on the Chehalis River. The plan, as proposed, will significantly reduce spawning and rearing habitat for salmon and steelhead as the dam site is located at one of the largest spawning areas in the entire river system. Collectively, this proposal would significantly jeopardize population viability of the entire Distinct Population Segment for all of these salmonids. I recognize the need for solutions to flooding issues but support a collaborative process that reduces local flood impacts throughout the basin, restores habitat, and supports long-term resiliency of both fisheries and people.