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I could hardly be MORE steadfast AGAINST moving forward with this ill-considered dam construction project. The ecological impacts of this project, should it come to fruition, will surely be massively negative. The dam building era in the Pacific Northwest is OVER - get that through your heads people! While I understand the flood resilience issue here, the world does NOT revolve around humans and the poor decisions they make to build infrastructure on major river course flood plains. The solution here is to get infrastructure off the flood plains (see Mississippi River as an example) NOT build more dams! How many brick walls do our politicians need to bash their heads against until common sense wins out? As a professional field biologist with many decades of experience (I have done, and am still actively doing research in the Chehalis River watershed) associated with similar projects I know full well the massive ecological damage projects like this can do. If you honestly think you are going to sneak this project under the carpet, you had best start thinking otherwise - the Tribes will take this down legally, and I'm sure you well know that...or you should.