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Dear Caucus Members,

I am very much opposed to dam breaching for the following reasons:

Farmers need to be able to barge their crops to Portland. Thousands of trucks would be required to replace barges; and the highways would certainly take a beating, resulting in costly road repair.

Not only would farming suffer but also other established businesses.

Water generated power is clean. Should it be replaced by nuclear or coal burning generators? No, and we certainly don't want to lose electric power or face the higher costs in electric rates, nor the high costs of dismantling the dams.

There is no scientific proof that salmon would be saved. What about the terns and the nets?

The whole idea of breaching sounds like a giant disaster. Please don't consider trashing our economy.

Sincerely,
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(Mrs. R.M.)