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Greg Graham  
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Walla Walla District  
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Re: breaching dams to improve salmon runs

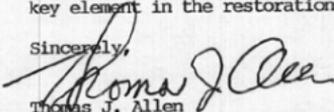
Dear Mr. Graham,

This letter is to oppose the idea of breaching the lower Snake River dams to improve salmon viability. The reason for my opposition is that I don't believe that it will make a significant difference.

I have been (or was) a recreational salmon fisherman since the late 1970's, in Puget Sound, off the Washington coast and in Canada. I can remember years when there were great salmon runs; almost all the existing dams were in place during those years.

Therefore, it just doesn't make sense to me that taking out dams is a key element in the restoration of salmon runs.

Sincerely,

  
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