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Department of the Army  
Walla Walla District Corps of Engineers  
Attention: Lower Snake River Study  
201 North Third Avenue  
Walla Walla, WA. 99362-1876

Dear Department of the Army,

I am writing to oppose breaching of the dams on the Snake River. The Snake River is a part of the Columbia/Snake River system, a multiple purpose system authorized by Congress for the safe navigation, irrigation, flood control, hydro power and recreation of the citizens of the Pacific Northwest.

Breaching of the Snake River dams will have a negative economic effect upon the lives of the citizens of the Pacific Northwest. It has not been proven that breaching the dams will help fish recovery, but it is certain that breaching the dams will negatively affect the economy of our area. Please do not jeopardize our livelihoods with a decision based in so much uncertainty.

It is my hope that rational thinking and plain common sense will prevail and the decision will be made not to breach the Snake River Dams. Please take my concerns and comments into consideration as you make your decision.

Sincerely,

Dale Boon, Commissioner  
Port of Woodland