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**DEPT . OF THE ARMY  
WALLA WALLA DIST. CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
ATTENTION; LOWER SNAKE RIVER STUDY  
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**DEPT OF THE ARMY;**

**WE HERE AT OUR PRIVATELY OWNED R.V. PARK WHICH WAS DEVASTATED DURING THE 1996 FLOOD. NOTED IN SOME PAPERS AS THE 500 YEAR FLOOD OR 200 YEAR FLOOD. WHAT EVER ~~WILL~~ GOD WILLING WE WILL NEVER SEE IT AGAIN. WE WERE UNDER 10 TO 12 FEET OF WATER FOR OVER 2 WEEKS, BASICALLY BECAUSE OF LOG JAMS UNDER INTERSTATE 5 BRIDGE AND OUR MEEKER DR. BRIDGE. INSURANCE COVERS OUR BUILDINGS , THANK GOD BUT OUR LAND IS NOT COVERED BY ANY INSURANCE. SMALL BUSINESS OF AMERICA AND US WILL BE PARTNERS FOR THE NEXT 26 YEARS. ALMOST 1 MILLION DOLLARS IN DEBT.**

**JUST LAST WEEK WE READ THAT THE CORPS IS CONSIDERING BREACHING THE DAMS. BESIDE APPALLED AT SUCH AN IDEA. SHOCKED BEYOND BELIEF THAT THE DAMS THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAD BUILT DURNING HIS YEARS IN OFFICE. THESE DAMS WERE BUILT WITH TRILLIONS OF OUR TAX PAYERS SSSSSSSSS. BUILT TO PROTECT PEOPLE OF SUCH FLOODING AND PEOPLE WERE ABLE TO CLAIM LAND FOR SUCCESSFULLY RUN BUSINESS'S**

**WE ARE ON THE KALAMA RIVER AND WITHIN 1/2 MILE OF THE GREAT COLUMBIA RIVER, THE PORT OF KALAMA IS ONE OF LARGEST PORTS WITH GRAIN EXPORTS, BHP A HUGE STEEL FACTORY THAT BUILT HERE ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER MANY CHEMICAL PLANTS , A YACHT BUILDER I'M NOT SURE HOW MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE EMPLOYED ON THE PORT SIDE BUT THIS WOULD COMPLETY WHIP OUT A HUGE BUSINESS AREA. NOT TO SAY WHAT IT WOULD DO TO US AS PRIVATE CITIZENS TRYING TO RUN A BUSINESS , AND A PLACE TO CALL HOME.**

**THE PORT OF KALAMA , PORT OF LONGVIEW AND PORT OF WOODLAND , THESE ARE VITAL PART OF OUR COMMUNITY ECONOMY. WHAT ABOUT THE MANY OTHER COMMUNITES ON THE RIVERS.**

**I'M NOT AN ENGINEER BUT THE DAMS DO A JOB OF SILT REMOVING I UNDERSTAND, AND THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS ARE AT A POINT AS WERE TO DEPOSIT SUCH SILT THAT IS REMOVED REGULARLY FROM THE SHIP CHANNELS.**

**THIS IS THE BEST RIVER IN SOUTH WEST WASHINGTON FOR SALMON AND STEELHEAD. AND YES WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FISH . BUT WHO HAS MORE RIGHTS THE FISH OR PEOPLE????????? LEAVE THE FISH ALONE let mother nature take care of them . she certainly does a better job of caring for the fish tHEN man seems to be doing.**

**PLEASE RECONSIDERED THIS MOST SHORT-SIGHTED AND APPALLING IDEA OF BREACHING THE RIVERS, SNAKE, COLUMBIA WILLAMETTE RIVERS.**

*Irene Flowers, Owner*