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To whom it may concern:

The latter: Under RCW 34.05.328 (1)(d) any rule is illegal if its benefits do not exceed its costs. The cost benefit calculation for this rule only passes muster because Ecology assumes benefits of \$20 million or more from avoiding litigation and \$20.5 million from "protecting" past investment in salmon restoration if the rule is passed.

If this is an accurate statement, it fails to include the high potential that private citizen groups will in fact litigate to overturn the Rule should it be passed in its current form.

I for one, and others I am aware of, will in fact financially support such litigation.

Before warned,

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