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Comments: The Gold Creek crossings under I-90 are critical habitat links for wildlife and they prevent human-animal vehicle crashes and loss of life. The Gold Creek Valley Restoration Project would enhance aquatic and riparian habitat for fish and wildlife in an area ecologically damaged by human activity. Restoring the habitat functions and processes in this valley makes meaningful efforts to repair and mitigate past management activities that have impacted and continue to negatively impact the ecosystem. Partially filling the pond will restore the natural groundwater processes impacted by over 50 years of damage that began when the gravel pit was used to serve the I-90 freeway. Restoration is needed to mitigate drought from global warming and to restore wetland processes that fish and wildlife at Snoqualmie Pass depend upon. I support this project moving forward. Thanks to the USFS for the opportunity to provide public comment.