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I am a Washington native, and have enjoyed a relationship with the Methow valley for a number of years. It would be a loss to the communities living there. At the very least, I believe more time is needed to study the effects and alternative methods for accomplishing the same purposes.