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Please support and implement the Public Interest Proposal.

I strongly believe that the vision that brought hydro power to this region in the first place needs to be looked at for inspiration and guidance today as we move forward. We need to do what is right for the long term health of our economy and our environment.

Specifically, we need to focus on promoting gains in developing renewable energy technology, increasing our energy efficiency and meeting higher conservation goals, and protecting our wild stocks of salmon and steelhead.

If we need to pay higher rates to do so then I'm not opposed to paying them as long as the cost is distributed in an equitable manner across all user groups.

Don't let the arch conservative farmers from East of the Cascades dominate this discussion with their hatred of big bad government programs. After all, if it weren't for the huge government programs that build the dams they

wouldn't be here at all. Your job is to move forward with a plan that is bold and has vision so please think of the original designers of our hydropower system and how long their good work has lasted and try to make them proud.

Thank you,

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