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Dear Sir:

Because we need to save land that is still in its original state to protect the salmon spawning grounds and protect White Bluffs area so it doesn't destroy spawning areas of Wild Life habitat from disappearing. We should also protect the Hanford Site - shrub - steppe ecosystem.

I feel the best way to do that is by adapting DOE's preferred alternative plus:

1. Designate all public lands on the Wahluke Slope, Hanford Reach, its Islands, the Mc Gee Ranch, the Richland area and the arid lands Ecology Reserve as National wildlife refuge.
2. Restrict all mining operations to those essential to completing clean-up on the Hanford Reservation.
3. No grazing on the Hanford reservation.
4. Issue a seperate Record of decision for all areas mentioned above.

Do Not turn any land over to the Counties because they will chop it up, plow it up and divide it amongst their promoters who will seek government subsidies to promote so called jobs, while the winds blow it away.

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