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Dear Mr Ferns,

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I support the DOE Preferred Alternative overall. I also support the following amendments which are to ; Designate all public lands on the Wahluke Slope, the Hanford Reach, its islands, the Mcgee Ranch, and the Arid Lands Ecology Reserve as National Wildlife Refuge lands.; prohibit any grazing on the Hanford Nuclear Reservation; and restrict all mining operations on the Hanford Reservation to those essential to completing clean-up and remediation.

It should also be incumbent upon DOE to issue a separate Record of Decision (ROD) for all areas mentioned above. These area are prime fish and wildlifer habitat, uncontaminated by Hanford Operations, and should be provided immediate protection without having to await the complex decision making process required for the rest of the site.

I have lived in Richland for over 30 years and I am committed to ensuring we preserve the Columbia River and its environs as the heritage of my grandchildren.

Yours sincerely

  
Muriel H. Templeton