

Dear Sen. Maria Cantwell,
[a suggested format for our comments]

I am writing in opposition to HB2828, legislation that would extend the construction deadline for the Enloe Hydroelectric Project for an additional 6 years.

The bill passed the House of Representatives on July 18, 2017 and has been referred to the Energy and Natural Resources Committee in the Senate. As Ranking Member of the Committee, I ask for your leadership in opposing this bill and ask that you exclude it from any legislative package considered by your committee.

I oppose this project because... [personal testimonial on fish, economics, etc.— other suggestions below]

- As a citizen-ratepayer of Okanogan County I do not support Okanogan County PUD No. 1 (OPUD) in their attempts to electrify Enloe Dam on the Similkameen River.
- I do not support Rep. Dan Newhouse's legislation to grant OPUD extensions of their FERC license to start or end their proposed project.
- OPUD does not and will not need Enloe's power for the life of their FERC license as power will be available through their Douglas Co. PUD power sales contract for a lower price than what Enloe power will cost the ratepayer.

Saddling the ratepayers of OPUD for a project that is not needed and will never be profitable is not acceptable to the citizen-ratepayers of Okanogan County

The First Nations of Canada and the Colville Confederate Tribes both agree the Similkameen River needs to be a free flowing river and that Enloe Dam needs to be removed.

Please do not allow this legislation that does not have your constituents best interests under consideration to gain approval in the Senate.

Thank you for considering my request,