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As solicited, here are my comments about the Eklutna hydroproject.

Remove the Eklutna dam and return salmon to the Eklutna River. This is a critical opportunity to bring salmon back and protect the resource into the future. Salmon need access to Eklutna Lake and its upper tributaries.

One can't put a price on the salmon resource. Any issues with increasing rates for energy in the future can be dealt with via renewable resources and technology. Humans are intelligent and can figure this out. The salmon should be the priority.

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