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Good day,

My name is Rick Whitbeck, and I am a nearly 40-year Alaskan and current Chugach ratepayer. I have thoughts on the proposed alternatives under the draft Fish & Wildlife plan as found on the Eklutna Hydro website.

To expand on those, I've written two opinion pieces that have been recently published. The first is on Must Read Alaska here:

<https://mustreadalaska.com/can-the-eklutna-dam-be-removed/>

And the second in the Anchorage Daily News here:

<https://www.adn.com/opinions/2024/01/14/opinion-keep-the-eklutna-dam-as-it-is/>

I'd ask that both pieces be made part of the record for the purposes of advancing the draft-to-final process for the Fish & Wildlife plan for Eklutna.

Should you need additional information or have questions on my content, please reach out at the contact info found below.

All the best,  
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