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I have been updating myself on the Eklutna Hydro project by attending one of the public meetings and browsing the project information on this website. I understand that the current project as it stands provides 90% of the moa's water and 6% of the railbelt power. The two remaining proposals both appear to be not only unnecessary but damaging. The optimistic virtue signaling of removing of the dam is by far the worst and the reduced politically correct version of cutting the electric output to the utilities on the railbelt is not only going to negatively affect the utility consumers but also the tax payers in the moa. To get rid of or reduce the cheapest, and the most acceptable power produced in the rail belt is pandering to the woke and radical left wing of alaska politics.

There is no proof that salmon ever used the Eklutna river or lake outside of the convenient folk lore of the eklunta natives. According the the science associated with the lake, the lake has always had way too high a tribidity to raise fish. This dates back as far as records exist and is present today. Planted fish are starving to death because the lake can not produce enough food for thier survival. This condition will not change no matter what is done with the river. There is currently very little shoreline that would support spawning and little could be added.

In summary, don't fix something that isn't broke. Higher rate base, higher taxes do equate to spending millions of dollars to prove that stocking fish at trailRace is supplying more fishing than the river or lake ever did.