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The Eklutna hydroelectric project is a false solution to green energy. If a project destroys an entire river, including an integral part of the ecosystem - its salmon runs - it cannot be considered "green." Of all of the potential alternatives offered by technical working group partners, the project owners chose the one that was the worst for the ECOSYSTEM BUT had the cheapest price tag. This violates the 1991 Purchase Agreement, which requires them to protect and enhance fish and wildlife habitat. The mitigation plan directed by said Purchase Agreement is in place so history doesn't repeat itself. The project owners need to come up with a new plan that respects the environment and the wishes of Native Village of Eklutna, who have been living on this land for generations and have been excluded from the decision-making process. Instead of wasting Alaskans dollars on a plan that won't fully revive the river and its salmon runs, I ask you to remove the Eklutna Dam (at no cost to the project owners might I add) and fully reconnect the river to bring back a thriving Anchorage area fishery. Thank YOU.