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Hannah Hadley,

I am voicing my concern against transferring of flood risk to my property a [REDACTED] Lafayette, Sedro-Woolley. My husband and I have owned this house since 1983 and have experienced a few floods. We raised the house with money out of our pocket after the 1995 flood to be one foot above flood stage per Army Corp and above the railroad tracks to the north of us knowing the water will flow northwest and not flood our house. We haven't been flooded since 1995 and life has been good. Now Burlington and Dike District 12 want to raise the dikes higher and push water into our house. Your Urban levy will protect Burlington at our cost.

This is wrong! Burlington built in the wrong place but is lucky to have I-5 and Hwy 20 crossroads so commercial development happened. Now they want to protect this commercial development at the risk of thousands of people to the east. People and homes are more valuable than Costco's and Home Depots? Please think of the people who will be displaced by flood water that is pushed back on to them. What happens to their lives after their homes get flooded? Box stores and commercial development knew they were developing in the flood bull's eye. It will be a minor blip on the stock market for maybe not a day to a Home Depot but to people lives it can be very traumatic. Please think about the common people.

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