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Several years ago this office sent to Washington the basic material for a report on the floods of the Skagit River in this state. This had been prepared originally by James Stewart about 30 years ago. Some additional work was done on the report in Tacoma and Mr. Eisenlohr did quite a lot of it in Washington before returning it to us. He found that he did not have time to complete it. It lies here unfinished and would require one to two man month's of work if it were to be prepared for publication. It probably should be published as a part of a water-supply paper.

This report was discussed with Mr. Hardison when he was here last week and he suggested that it might serve much the same purpose to the public as if it were a report on a current flood. If you concur in this viewpoint it is believed justifiable that some funds be allotted to complete the report, when and if you could make them available without hindering the preparation of current flood reports. It is quite difficult for me to make an accurate estimate of the amount needed, but I believe we could complete the work necessary to be done in Tacoma for not more than \$1,000. This project should not be done until next fiscal year, however.

Your favorable consideration of the above will be appreciated.

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