June 15, 1979

Colonel John A. Poteat  
Department of the Army  
Seattle District Corps of Engineers  
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Dear Colonel Poteat:

The Northwest Regional Council of Governments, an association of local governments serving the North Puget Sound Region of Washington State, at its June 15 meeting voted to submit our strong endorsement of the proposed project designed to improve the existing levee system of the Skagit River from the mouth of the Skagit to the City of Sedro Woolley. We believe that the economic strength of our region and the public safety and welfare of its citizens are dependent upon providing the necessary 50 year flood plan protection for rural areas south of Mt. Vernon and 100 year protection in important urban centers such as Mt. Vernon, Burlington and Sedro Woolley.

We will support the current federal funding and legislation related to this project introduced in the United States House of Representatives as H.R. 2821 by Congressman Swift and will urge Senators Magnuson and Jackson to sponsor similar legislation in the United States Senate.

Dewey G. Desler  
DIRECTOR

An Association of Local Governments  
serving the North Puget Sound Region
We submit this correspondence for your consideration during the Corps of Engineers final public meeting on this project and urge your continued efforts to complete the Skagit levee project. It will be of benefit to all of Northwest Washington.

Sincerely yours,

NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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