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To: [NWS-Skagit-River-GI](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Sedro Woolley Flooding
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Dear Ms. Hadley,

I live in Brickyard Estates, north Sedro Woolley. I have spent time looking at old flood pictures and perusing flood maps. My husband and I are currently shopping for another residence. I am not totally ignorant of the flooding issues in the Skagit Valley.


The owners of the businesses and homes in Mount Vernon and Burlington were completely aware of the flood history in the areas where they built. And now, they want to make it Sedro Woolley's problem. Sedro Woolley is not as affluent as Mount Vernon and Burlington, so I guess it okay to flood us. We don't have the money or the voice of these other towns, combining their financial impact on the local economy. I do not understand how a bad decision (to build in a flood zone) is the responsibility of those who did not make that bad decision. I think the towns should suffer the consequences of their decisions. Mount Vernon and Burlington are not too big to fail...oops, too big to flood.

If a solution to the flooding potential in Mount Vernon and Burlington can be managed in a different way, rather than increasing the flood possibility in Sedro Woolley, I am all for it. A flood is a horrible loss for all involved. I wish that on no one, but Sedro Woolley is not a throw away town. We matter too.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lea Shato


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