

From: [Russell Hutchison](#)
To: [NWS-Skagit-River-GI](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comprehensive Urban Levy Improvement plan
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Ms. Hadley,

My name is Russell Hutchison II, I am the owner of [REDACTED] Fidalgo Place in Sedro Woolley. It is my understanding that the Comprehensive Urban Levy Improvement plan is basically a plan to force myself, and hundreds of other people to purchase flood insurance because I will be placed in the flood plain by this plan. I didn't buy a house in a flood plain for a reason. Not only that but your plan will make it so my house is harder to sell if I chose to do so.

I feel as a landowner, and a resident of Sedro Woolley, that the USACE owes my City and me a fully researched plan with analysis of both East and West adjustments of the river. My city and the community has been here a lot longer than some of the areas this plan is meant to protect. Those people knew they were in the flood plain. They accepted that risk in purchasing their home. I did not. Nor am I all right with accepting it now.

Why is it acceptable to protect one community over a large portion of a small city? I do not agree with this Urban Levy Improvement Plan.

Sincerely,

Russell Hutchison

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