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Comments, concerns about the Skagit River General Investigation Study: My concern is the lack of different methods to be considered to accomplish more capacity in the river itself. Dredging should be considered in the river. The method has been proven in other parts of the world. If you can allow yourself to look back in history when the Skagit river was getting dredged our fish runs were incredible!! Flooding was less frequent, wood debris and other unwanted stuff were being removed creating a perfect boating river. Even light contaminants were being removed from the river bottom when the materials were being removed. Some of the farmers enjoyed the rich nutrients from the river bottom. We even had a ferry going up our river which if we can dredge again we can open the river to low cost transportation to and from the river towns and cities. I sure hope the great Army Corps can apply common sense and consider this type of approach.

Additional items that should be addressed: We are all in it together why shouldn't all of the jurisdictions participate and be protected together? By allowing one city or dike district to start protecting their own area surely you can understand that another area will be affected. Please have us all work together.

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