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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Skagit River Investigation Study Comment

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to comment regarding the Skagit River Investigation Study. I am a resident of Sedro Woolley as are my family members. We live in the area that would be affected by the proposed levees. This proposal makes me feel as if the residents of Sedro Woolley are considered of lesser importance than the urban improvements made in Mt. Vernon and Burlington. When I bought my home, I did so knowing that it was not in the flood plain. My family, that resides closer to the river has lived in their home for over 45 years. They too bought their home knowing that they were not in the flood plain. The fact that the county is concerned about protecting businesses instead of residents is appalling. Thanks so much for proposing to protect out sewage treatment plant and hospital. Meaning you don't want our pollution, but would leave our hospital to treat the injured. How thoughtful of you.

Does the county also propose that they would compensate us for our loss of property value and pay our flood insurance?

I ask you to consider the residents of Sedro Woolley and all residents up-river of this project. Anyone that built in the flood plain that this would benefit did so knowingly and should not be given precedence over residents that have been established as mine, for almost 100 years.

I would like to be added to the Skagit River General Investigation Study mailing list: Debbie Cornish

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Thank you for your consideration Sincerely, Debbie Cornish