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Hannah Hadley,  
Please include my comment and questions into the record in response to the review of draft Feasibility Study & Environmental Impact Statement.

Increasing the height of current levies in order to minimize flood risk to the city of Burlington at the expense of the city of Sedro-Woolley and its residents is not an acceptable plan. Within the affected area of concern(south side of State St), are two elementary and one senior high schools, a dementia facility and the cities waste water treatment facility.

Why should property owners be forced into a newly designated flood zone and then be forced into purchasing Federal Flood Insurance in an area that has not been flood prone in the past?

Sacrificing a community just because it has a lower assessed value is not acceptable when there are other options available. How about cleaning up some of the "added" materials that have been "temporarily" been placed into the river over the past years? How long is "temporarily"?

Please reconsider this plan option until a more complete study of the impact it will have on the city of Sedro-Woolley, its residents, as well as those impacted within the Samish River Basin can be completed.

Thank You, Sherry Lynch  
Sedro-Woolley resident