Please accept this comment in relation to Shoreline Substantial Development Permit application PL12-0144 by the City of Burlington and Skagit County Dike, Drainage and Irrigation District No. 12.

Skagit County serves as the local sponsor to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's General Investigation process. The Skagit River General Investigation (G.I.) involves a basin-wide comprehensive approach to flood risk management. A preferred alternative has not been selected for the G.I. and therefore, from the G.I. perspective, it hasn't been determined how this proposal fits within that framework. Uniformity in levee heights, levee raises in place, and an increased level of protection for urban areas are currently being analyzed in the G.I. process.

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