

**Skagit River, Washington
Flood Inundation Damage Assessment**

1. Floodplain Survey

- 1.1. Structures on project mapping were given unique geo-referenced identifier numbers (based upon uniquely numbered grids superimposed on floodplain maps) and entered into database
- 1.2. Survey team drove through entire study area and conducted a 100% survey of commercial and public structures to record the following attributes:
 - 1.2.1. Business type (SIC-based) or Public Structure type (e.g., school, fire dept., etc...)
 - 1.2.2. Structure size
 - 1.2.3. Structure condition
 - 1.2.4. Construction type
- 1.3. Attributes recorded for all commercial and public structures were entered into the database
- 1.4. Residential sampling was required due to size of study area
- 1.5. A random sample of approximately 350 residential structures was performed and compared with past study findings to calibrate assumptions regarding ranges of residential structure attributes:
 - 1.5.1. Size
 - 1.5.2. Condition
 - 1.5.3. First floor elevation increment above ground level
 - 1.5.4. Construction type
- 1.6. Survey identified the *distribution, mean value, and standard error* for each residential attribute. This statistical data was used to populate residential attributes for each residential structure flooded.

2. Floodplain Survey Findings (500-year floodplain)

- 2.1. Approximately 12,000 structures
- 2.2. Approximately 10,600 single family structures
- 2.3. Approximately ~~21,000~~ sq. ft. commercial property *21,000,000*
- 2.4. Over 41,000 acres agricultural land in production

3. Damage Assessment

- 3.1. Risk and Uncertainty based analysis consistent with Corp of Engineers Guidance
 - 3.1.1. Explicitly incorporates uncertainty in data into the assessment
 - 3.1.2. Used the Corps HEC-FDA flood damage assessment computer model
- 3.2. Hydraulic model provides water depths in each grid
- 3.3. Economic model calculates damages to residential and commercial structures/contents for each grid
- 3.4. Analysis used Corps-approved depth damage functions for structures and contents
- 3.5. Damage Categories
 - 3.5.1. Damages to structures
 - 3.5.2. Damages to contents
 - 3.5.3. Public Assistance Costs
 - 3.5.4. Temporary Relocation Costs
 - 3.5.5. Cleanup Costs
 - 3.5.6. Agriculture
 - 3.5.7. Transportation

4.0 Preliminary Findings (\$66.7 million in expected annual damages)

- 4.1 Damages to structures: (48%)
- 4.2 Damages to contents: (34%)
- 4.3 Public Assistance Costs: (9%)
- 4.4 Temporary Relocation Costs: (2%)
- 4.5 Cleanup Costs: (4%)
- 4.6 Agriculture: (3%)
- 4.7 Transportation: analysis in final stages