

MEMO

To: Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee

From: Tom Karsh, Surface Water Management Section,
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At the July 14, 2008 FCZD Advisory Committee meeting County staff was asked to report back on the following items at next AC meeting:

1. Research and report on the feasibility of video recording future AC meetings.
2. Research and answer the following public comment question: *How does the role and function of the current 15 member Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee relate to the recently dissolved Skagit River Flood Control Committee?*
3. Draft a resolution amending the Advisory Committee Operating Rules and Procedures to reflect the "two meeting rule".
4. Cost breakdown for flood hazard reduction planning in Skagit County.
5. Additional information concerning the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

County Response:

1. Future AC meetings will be audio taped (equipment has been ordered). The 8/18/08 meeting of the AC will be video taped for Channel 21 and the video tape will also be available for viewing on the Skagit County web site (www.skagitcounty.net) follow link to "Skagit 21". A handout with instructions for accessing and using "Skagit 21" web site will be provided at the 8/18/08 meeting. Video taping future AC meetings will be at the request of the AC and subject to the availability of County video recorders.
2. The FCC was established in 1980 (Resolution No. 8442) for the purpose of preparing and recommending a Comprehensive Flood Control Plan for the Skagit Basin to the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors (Skagit County Commissioners). This was completed with the approval of the 1988 Skagit River Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan. Through the 1990's the FCC met intermittently to recommend levee improvement grants to local dike districts and to consider and coordinate responses to emerging flood management issues. The AC has a similar purpose, the essential difference being that the AC membership has been expanded to include stakeholders with interests in salmon recovery and ecosystem restoration. Many former FCC members are now serving on the AC and the Technical Committees and their continued interest and advice on flood control matters via the reorganized FCZD is encouraged. See Resolution No. 20070539 (a copy should be in the AC notebooks) for additional information defining the current organization and structure of the committees charged with making recommendations on matters that come before the countywide Flood Control Zone District.
3. See draft amendment to Resolution #20070539 (attached).
4. See "Skagit GI Expenditures and Revenues 1997-2007" (attached).
5. See 8/4/2008 memo from Chuck Bennett, Chairman, Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Steering Committee, for additional information on the NHMP (attached).