May 8, 1975

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Re: NPSEN-PL-BP

Dear Sir:

This reply is to your letter of April 29, 1975 regarding Skagit County's sponsorship of the lower levee project previously approved by Congress. Skagit County is prepared to, and will, assume the local items of sponsorship as provided in your letter under Items a through h. Most of the right-of-way necessary for the reconstruction of the dikes in the lower levee project lies within the boundaries of local diking districts. We hope to secure the right-of-way that is necessary at small cost to the County directly.

Skagit County does have an established County-Wide Flood Control Zone District which will enable the County to provide financing for its local sponsorship.

We hope that this project might proceed as rapidly as Congress will approve engineering and construction. Skagit County will expect to provide the necessary financing for the sponsorship of the project. We appreciate the renewed effort by the Corps of this project.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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