December 20, 1979

Skagit County Road Department
P.O. Box 396
Mount Vernon, Washington 98273

Re: 1979 Flood Effort

Skagit County has just witnessed the power of the mighty Skagit River and its several tributaries, and we are reminded that it is a river to be respected as an awesome force. Although there was considerable damage in the upper valley, we can all be thankful that the original predicted crest did not occur.

Skagit County can also be thankful that they have dedicated men and women such as you, who are willing to put forth the type of effort that you have just given us in times of emergency. The Board of Skagit County Commissioners would like to commend you and thank you for the way in which you responded during this time.

We appreciate the cooperation between the County and the Corps, the Diking Districts, the media, and the hundreds of volunteers who participated in this effort. It is apparent that the County Road Department is the hub of the coordination effort for a county wide flood fight, and we feel fortunate in having knowledgeable, capable, and dedicated employees willing to put in extraordinary amounts of time for the good of the county. There will be those who say that we made some mistakes, and there may be few that say that we did a good job, but we as a Board of County Commissioners, wish to let you know that you did an outstanding job and that you have our sincere appreciation for your effort.

Sincerely,

Bud Norris, Chairman
Howard Miller, Commissioner
Jerry L. Mansfield, Commissioner

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