Statement of Purpose:

These guidelines are for the purpose of establishing the criteria for the distribution of the Skagit County Flood Control Fund. It is the intent of this Fund to assist in bringing the levees and dikes of Skagit County to a uniform 25-year flood protection in both elevation and integrity. With this concept in view, the first consideration shall be given to the financial need of the applicant and to the existing level of flood protection at the proposed project site. The Fund shall be distributed on a cost sharing basis with the Fund contributing no greater than 50% or a maximum amount of $12,500.00 for any single project. This Fund will be expended only for expenses incurred in construction, improvement, replacement, or repair of Skagit County flood control dikes or other flood control protection. No costs of design, planning, or studies shall be an obligation, liability, or expenditure of this Fund. All expenditures shall be made by the County warrants drawn on this Fund in compliance with R.C.W. 36.32 and 36.40 and shall be subject to all other budgetary and County administrative rules and regulations. Approval shall be by the Board of Skagit County Commissioners upon the recommendation of the Skagit County Flood Control Committees.

All applications received will be considered and approved or rejected based on the above criteria. Application must be received prior to June 1, to be considered for the calendar year. Should an application be rejected, it must be resubmitted the following year to be eligible for consideration.

Procedures for making a request for funds are as follows:

A. Proponent will make request for participating fund to the Skagit County Flood Control Committee's Executive Committee through the Skagit County Public Works Department.

B. Public Works and proponent will investigate the project site and determine the length and scope of the proposal project.

C. Make estimate of project cost with preliminary plans as necessary.

D. Present project scope, preliminary plans, and estimate to Flood Control Committee's Executive Committee for review and recommendations to the full Committee.

E. Present recommendations of Executive Committee to full committee for approval.

F. Present project scope, preliminary plans, estimate, and recommendation of the Flood Control Committee to the Board of Skagit County Commissioners for final approval.

G. Upon approval, execute a project agreement between County and proponent.