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TO : Mr. F. M. Veatch, Tacoma, Washington

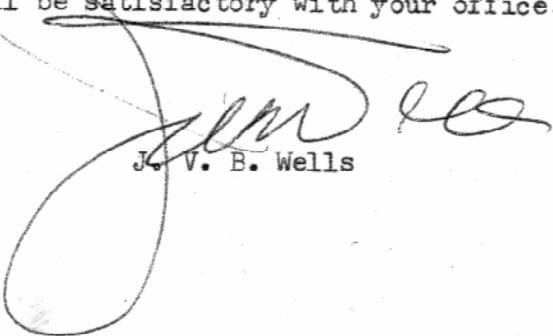
DATE: February 5, 1953
In reply refer to: 44010

FROM : Chief, Surface Water Branch

SUBJECT: Proposed report on the floods of the Skagit River

Reference is made to your letter of January 28, 1953, with regard to completing the Skagit River flood report for which the basic material was prepared originally by James Stewart about 30 years ago.

I am inclined to agree with Clayton Hardison that if it was worthwhile to put in time, money, and effort on this flood report 30 years ago, chances are it is worthwhile to put in another \$5,000 to complete it. However, as this has already been postponed 30 years, I do not see much objection to postponing it a while longer. We probably could dig up \$1,000 in the 1954 fiscal year; but, frankly, I would not propose to do so as I do not want anything to stand in the way, even as much as a month, of the completion of the project of catching up on current records and the completion of a compilation report for the entire United States. Therefore, I will agree to furnish the money, when available, to complete the report after we have caught up on our records and have completed the compilation report. I hope this will be satisfactory with your office.



J. V. B. Wells

