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Skagit River Flood Fight

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Skagit Riv Flood Mgr

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1. On 26 December 1975 we received a river forecast of 27 feet at 1600 hours on 27 December at Riverside gage and 29 feet at 0600 hours on 27 December at Concrete gage. About the same time, we received a call from Lloyd Johnson, Skagit County Engineer, who was having some concern about the breaks in the Cockrahan Levee. With the river predicted to rise above flood stage, flooding of adjacent lands was imminent through these breaks.
2. The situation was discussed with Monte Kaiser, and he contacted NPD to request that a flood fight be declared. Approval was received for a flood fight. Immediately, Robert Khrmantroust and Eric Winters proceeded to Lyman from Ferndale, and I met them at the site. We started work on temporarily plugging the breaks. These areas were reported on Job SKA-1-75, but the job had not yet been sent to NPD for approval.
3. About five areas were plugged during the course of the flood fight, which lasted from 1500 hours on 26 December to 2230 hours on 27 December. Personnel involved were: Khrmantroust, Winters, McCutcheon, Schmidt (temporarily hired from Snohomish) and Sabo.
4. The following equipment was used: 12 dump trucks, one loader and two 'dozers. The county furnished a large light plant with operator and also furnished two men Friday night.
5. The estimated field cost of this operation was \$12,000.

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