

9 May 1977

MEMO FOR: RECORD

SUBJECT: Avon Bypass Deauthorization - Meeting with Skagit County
Engineer

1. On 19 April 1977, Mr. Ray Skrinde and I traveled to Mt. Vernon to meet with Lloyd Johnson, the Skagit County Engineer. We discussed the upcoming deauthorization study for the Avon Bypass Project. We told Mr. Johnson that we would be sending out a letter alerting local officials to the deauthorization study. About a month later, we would make a general press release in which we would ask for public comment on the deauthorization of the Avon Bypass. We discussed the Bypass in general, and Mr. Johnson indicated that the most favorable alinement at this time appeared to be the southern alinement, which was shown in Design Memorandum No 1, Site Selection. The northern alinement which had been shown in the project document involved too much relocation and disruption of farmland and would be less likely to have support. We also briefly discussed the Skagit River Levee and Channel Improvement Study, which also is underway. We told Mr. Johnson that the first element of work which we would be getting underway would be a survey contract to map the existing levees and provide topography for use in our hydrologic and hydraulic studies.

2. After our meeting, we drove around the Skagit River Delta with Mr. Johnson. He pointed out the problem areas and existing dike locations. He also provided us an up-to-date list of the Drainage District Commissioners and the Dike District Commissioners from which we will develop a mailing list. These are attached as inclosures 1 and 2.

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