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Kara Symonds, Dan Johnson

Thanks for taking the time to visit the Anacortes Water treatment plant project today with the other members of the Skagit County and Army Corp team.

Providing flood control measures in this area will be no small task and we appreciate the emphasis the team is placing on this location.

As we discussed I have been involved with the flood control and the GI study from the late 1980's until the present day. When I was the flood control engineer for Mount Vernon we proposed an alternative that got quite a bit of traction but I don't see it on the list anymore.

The alternative involved a bypass channel essentially east of the Anacortes plant through the River Bend area traversing what used to be the Ledger Lake location.

The proposal involved a meandering continuous flow channel with the ability to increase capacity during flood events with a removable structure on the upper end. There were low flow channels, ponds and opportunities for salmon habitat and a host of other aquatic uses [duck hunters etc]. Except for the continuous stream, the area could remain in productive farming during non flood events.

There was some evidence there used to be a channel in this general area, evidenced by the lake etc. I can no longer remember where I saw the pictures they may have been old soil conservation images.

Admittedly does not provide much relief for the bridge corridor or the downtown MV area but it might be worth looking at, in lieu of widening in the vicinity of the plant and the intake.

Thanks

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