

WILL GET DATA ON SKAGIT RIVER

County To Establish Hydrographic Station at the Dalles Near Concrete.

Work was started yesterday on the construction of a hydrographic station at the Dalles of the Skagit river near Concrete. The plans and specifications for the station were prepared by the county engineer's office and were approved by the board of county commissioners at the regular meeting on Friday.

The board passed a resolution stating in part "that construction of aforesaid hydrographic station should commence at once, for the reason that at the present low water, construction could be carried on with more promptness and accuracy. The fact being that in a very short time, freshets and high water would make it impossible to construct the foregoing hydrographic station."

The station will provide means of measuring the water of the Skagit river for its volume and velocity and will be of great value in giving records in the future fight to control the floods of the river. During past years there has been no accurate record kept of the river and engineers have no data upon which to base control measures. For this reason the board of county commissioners approved the plans of the county engineer.