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Biologist Williams Assigned Here to Study and Survey Skagit Fish Runs

In a move by the state game department to make close hand observations and studies of fish runs in the Skagit river and its tributaries, Biologist Douglas Williams has been assigned to Sedro-Woolley, where he will conduct extensive work for the next several years. The location of a biologist here for the sole purpose of studying the migratory runs of fish, especially in steelhead, in the Skagit, comes as a result of the game department's decision to send biologists into the field where they can make first-hand observations and obtain data necessary for the perpetuation and eventual increasing of the fish runs.

Seven such biologists will be stationed at various strategic spots throughout the state, Williams stated, for both fish and game surveys. The location of a biologist in this area is only logical, he said, as the Skagit has probably the largest run of steelhead and migratory fish in the state.

Williams was recently discharged from the service and plans to make his home in or near Sedro-Woolley and will move here as soon as he can find a suitable home to rent. He is a graduate of the University of Washington, where he received his Bachelor of Science in fisheries degree.