

Farmers To Call For Flood Action

A group of fifty determined Burlington farmers will descend upon Col. L. H. Hewitt, district head of the U. S. Army Engineers in Seattle tomorrow, to present their plea for the construction of a channel across Burlington bend on the Skagit river in connection with flood and erosion control.

The original plan of building a channel across the oxbow on the river bend near Burlington was stymied by the Army Engineers when they stipulated that the channel would have to be constructed wider than originally planned and that an amount near \$400,000 would have to be put in escrow to take care of possible down-river siltation.

The farmers residing in the danger area have turned thumbs down on an alternate proposal by the county to put in rock revetment on one portion of the bend.

A spokesman for the farmers' group said today that if no favorable reply is forthcoming from Col. Hewitt, a delegation of women will "see what they can do."