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24 July 1974

MEMO FOR: RECORD

SUBJECT: Skagit River Flood Plain - Department of Ecology (DOE)  
Regulations

1. On 23 July 1974 Mr. Lloyd Johnson, County Engineer, Skagit County, telephoned requesting a meeting with representatives of Basin Planning Section and Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) for the purpose of discussing DOE regulation of development on properties located 200 feet landward of existing Skagit River levees.
2. Mr. Johnson in a previous meeting (9 July 74) had reported that the DOE was requiring that the finished-floor elevation of new homes constructed within the 200-foot zone be at or above the top of the existing levee structure. He stated this would cause undue hardships on proposed construction and technically was not a reasonable regulation. He had been advised by DOE that this regulation was based on guidance provided by the Corps of Engineers, namely, FPMS. The writer previously discussed this matter with Bill Spurlock, Assistant Chief, FPMS, and suggested that he contact the DOE representative covering the Skagit area to ascertain exactly what the facts are in this matter.
3. A meeting has been scheduled for 31 July in the Planning Branch conference room at 10 a.m. with Mr. Johnson and a representative from DOE. Messrs. Urabeck, Skrinde, and Spurlock will participate in the meeting.

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