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The following comments are provided for consideration when the final EIS is

- 1. The title "Skagit River, Draft Environmental Impact Statement" is an exaggeration, that sounds like the EIS covers the creation of the Skagit River. Maybe it should be "Skagit River Improved Levee System."
- 2. Page i, paragraphs 2a and 2b Increased pressure to develop will also occur in areas provided 50-year protection.
- 3. Preface: Nonstructural Aspects First sentence use either "cause" or "induce", not both.
- 4. Page 63, paragraph 3.02.6 Do not agree that the proposed project will have a tendency to preserve large areas of the flood plain as agricultural lands. To the contrary, the improved protection (50-year) will increase the pressures for development. Hopefully, local land use regulations can resist the increased pressure.
- 5. Page 70, paragraph 4.02.5 Similar comment to 4. above.
- 6. Page 73, paragraph 4.02.18 Similar comment to 4. above.

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