



SKAGIT COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Lorna Ellestad
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Dear Lorna:

It has been almost a year since the Working Group met to finalize the recommendations to be made to the Board of Skagit County Commissioners on the preferred alternatives for the Skagit River Flood Reduction Feasibility Study. Since then there has been little additional progress on project design, but a great deal of activity on the environmental studies required for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and in public outreach to alert County residents and political leaders to issues they will have to confront in the next few years. County Public Works and US Army Corps of Engineers staff would like to brief the Working Group members on progress made so far and where we think we are going over the coming year.

The meeting will be held on Friday, May 31 from 10:30 to 12:00 noon in Hearing Room 'C' at the County Courthouse, (2nd and Kincade). Please join us and introduce yourself to the Corps of Engineers' new Project Manager, Steve Babcock.

Sincerely,



Don Dixon, P.E.
Surface Water Manager

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