

Skagit Flood Planning “Blueprint” Discussion

What is the purpose of the “Blueprint”?

The “Blueprint” will allow the Skagit Flood Control Zone District’s Advisory Committee to fulfill its mission for the Board of County Supervisors (FCZD) by pinpointing necessary actions and communicating next steps.

Why do we need a “Blueprint”?

- The AC needs direction and funding to move forward.
- To be effective, the CFHMP must be followed by action from Skagit County Commissioners and federal delegation, but which actions may be required are not yet clear.
- Once the next steps are identified, we will need a tool that clearly illustrates what action is needed from the Skagit County Commissioners and federal delegation, and why the action is necessary.
- It is difficult to explain the relationship between the CFHMP and the COE GI study, and to show why the study findings are needed for the CFHMP to move forward. What is the purpose/function of each effort? How does each effort relate to/inform the other?

Who is the audience for the “Blueprint”?

- FCZD members: advisory and technical committees
- Skagit County Commissioners

How do we develop the “Blueprint”?

Step 1: Recognize the agreed on Mission and Goals to date

Step 2: Agree on fundamental actions/deliverables

Step 3: Work backwards – What are the components or enabling conditions that will enable us to deliver?

Step 4: Highlight obstacles and challenges – what is needed to overcome them?

Step 5: Identify roles and responsibilities

How will we use the “Blueprint”?

- Pinpoint actions needed to move forward
- Develop an implementation plan that assigns next steps
- Document what we have accomplished
- Illustrate relationships between numerous efforts currently underway
- Identify factors of success and obstacles that are impeding progress
- . . . how else will we use the blueprint?