

Skagit GI - October FCZD Advisory Committee Meeting

Report out:

Since the last AC meeting the Skagit GI PDT:

- 1) Met with the Corps management team that has been assigned to the Skagit GI for the past several years.
- 2) Participated in an all day tour of the Skagit Basin and proposed measure sites – agenda attached
- 3) Attended two 4 hour follow-up meetings to discuss the tour and define certain aspects of the measures
- 4) Reviewed analysis necessary to determine hydraulic effectiveness, costs and damage reduction benefits of the proposed measures.
- 5) Was notified that the Skagit GI was one of three studies selected for a pilot program by Corps HQ.

Limited information has been shared on this but the term the Corps is using is that these studies have been “reset”. What we have been told is that the Seattle District will be required to report on a regular basis and that the Skagit GI is now one of the Seattle Districts priorities. More information will be shared as it becomes available. This is a direct result of the effort by the Cities and the County to get HQ directly involved in address the lack of progress over the years and finally getting the Skagit GI on a shorter completion schedule and allocating the resources to make it happen.