Skagit GI – Alternative Workshop
Questions for Alternative Discussion

Alternative 1: No Action

Alternative 2: Non-Structural and Dam Storage Alternative

1. Are there any other non-structural features that should be considered in this alternative?
2. Do you have suggestions of locations for 1) evacuation routes, 2) installation of river gages, 3) real estate acquisition, 4) elevation of structures, 5) flood proofing of buildings, and 6) relocations?
3. Are there additional opportunities to better manage large woody debris in the river?
4. Can this alternative address any needed improvements to existing non-structural solutions?
5. What are the main real estate and/or land use concerns you foresee with implementation of this alternative?
6. What are the pros and cons to this alternative?
7. Do you agree or disagree with the "assumptions" identified for this alternative? Are there additional assumptions that need to be identified?

Alternative 3: Joe Leary Slough Bypass or Floodway

1. Would you prefer a floodway or a levee-aligned excavated channel in this alternative?
2. What agency would be responsible for maintenance of the bypass/floodway?
3. What are the maintenance concerns associated with this alternative?
4. Are there any concerns with the bypass/floodway and associated levee alignments? If so, can you suggest an alternative alignment?
5. What are the main real estate and/or land use concerns you foresee with implementation of this alternative?
6. Are there any other features that should be included in this alternative?
7. What are the overall pros and cons of this alternative?
8. Can any additional features be added to the alternative that would lessen the environmental impacts?
9. Do you agree or disagree with the "assumptions" identified for this alternative? Are there additional assumptions that need to be identified?

Alternative 4: Swinomish Bypass or Floodway

1. Would you prefer a floodway or a levee-aligned excavated channel in this alternative?
2. What agency would be responsible for maintenance of the bypass/floodway?
3. What are the maintenance concerns associated with this alternative?
4. Are there any concerns with the bypass/floodway and associated levee alignments? If so, can you suggest an alternative alignment?

5. What are the main real estate and/or land use concerns you foresee with implementation of this alternative?
6. Are there any other features that should be included in this alternative?
7. Can any additional features be added to the alternative that would lessen the environmental impacts?
8. Do you agree or disagree with the "assumptions" identified for this alternative? Are there additional assumptions that need to be identified?
9. What are the overall pros and cons of this alternative?

Alternative 5: Urban Areas and Critical Infrastructure Protection

1. What agency would be responsible for maintenance of the levees proposed in this alternative?
2. Are there any concerns with the levee alignments? If so, please suggest alternative levee alignments.
3. Are there any other features that should be included in this alternative?
4. What are the main real estate and/or land use concerns you foresee with implementation of this alternative?
5. Are there any other features that should be included in this alternative?
6. What are the pros and cons to this alternative?
7. Do you agree or disagree with the "assumptions" identified for this alternative? Are there additional assumptions that need to be identified?

Alternative 6: System-Wide Levee Setbacks

1. What do you envision as the design of the levee setbacks?
2. What agency would be responsible for maintenance of the levees proposed in this alternative?
3. Are there any concerns with the levee alignments? If so, please suggest alternative levee alignments?
4. Are there any other features that should be included in this alternative?
5. What features can be added that would lessen the environmental impacts of the alternative?
6. What are the main real estate and/or land use concerns you foresee with implementation of this alternative?
7. What are the pros and cons to this alternative?
8. Do you agree or disagree with the "assumptions" identified for this alternative? Are there additional assumptions that need to be identified?

Overall Questions:

1. Which alternatives do you think would provide the greatest reduction in flood risks?
2. Are there any studies/reports you could recommend to assist the Corps' study efforts?