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District Engineer
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
1519 Alaskan Way South
Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

Your office received a letter from our District dated April 29 of this year concerning possible classification of the Skagit and it's tributaries under the Wild and Scenic Rivers System and such classifications affect on future flood control on the Skagit in particular with relation to the Avon By-pass and any flood control structure on the Sauk. We have also requested along with the Skagit County Commissioners that public hearings on the river classification be delayed until after summer was over. We have been notified that such is the case and further public hearings will be in October.

As we state in our letter consequences for the Skagit Community of such further Federal classification would be far reaching as far as flood control was concerned and we feel the community should become aware of the alternatives before us. It has been a long time since either the Avon By-pass or the Sauk Dam have been discussed here.

Therefore, to get the people of the community to realize the alternatives before us, we would like the Skagit Conservation District, sometime during the first two weeks of September, to sponsor a joint meeting of the Mount Vernon, Burlington, and Sedro Woolley Chambers of Commerce to explore the alternatives.

At this meeting we would like the Corps to explain what the projects are, their location, how they would work and in general bring us up to date on them, their feasibility, cost, etc., and other information the Corps can make known to the public here so that they may arrive at a position to take on the Skagit River Study and it's further classification.

We would like to hear from you on a date possible for you to be with us early in September and we will go on from there.

Sincerely
Skagit Conservation District

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