



# SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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The Board of County Commissioners received your request to support a waiver to exceed 3x3x3 parameters for both schedule and funding. Skagit County respectfully declines to support the waiver as presented. We have thoroughly supported the 3x3x3 rule since its inception which came at great financial cost to Skagit County, our citizens, and our partners in floodplain management.

Our understanding with the New Planning Paradigm was that exceptions to the 3x3x3 rule would be rare and that the purpose of the transformation was to improve feasibility study program management, performance, execution, and delivery. This program improvement is why the County had confidence moving forward in 2012, after the study had been targeted for a time capsule.

Skagit County is committed to providing flood risk reduction to our community and we will continue to build on the knowledge base created during the Skagit River Flood Risk Management General Investigation.

Sincerely,

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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The Honorable Maria Cantwell, United States Senate  
The Honorable Patty Murray, United States Senate  
The Honorable Suzan DelBene, United States House of Representatives  
The Honorable Rick Larsen, United States House of Representatives  
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