Two river control projects in this area were virtually complete this week as the county crews finished up projects designed to ease river damage this winter.

One job was a 4,200 cubic foot jetty, built at Devil’s Elbow on the south side of the Skagit above Concrete. This jetty will block out a slough on the south side of the river and eliminate any current through there in high water. The flood waters would ordinarily go into the slough and could damage the right-of-way of the proposed highway from Faber to the Dalles on that side of the river.

Devil’s Elbow is the big bend in the Skagit just above the Overnell place.

At Rockport a similar job was done on the slough there, a 3,500 yard rock fill being made to close the east end of the slough. Purpose of the work is to protect the ferry landing in high water and to keep the river from cutting into valuable farm land.