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Big Sum For Skagit Flood Work, Voted

To Spend \$358,000 for River Control; To Start Soon

According to word received from Congressman Mon Wallgren, who is at the national capital on a special trip, some \$1,700,000 for flood control work in his district has been approved by federal works program officials and will be available in a short time. Of this sum, \$358,000 has been allocated for work in Skagit county.

Wallgren spent much of his time at the last session in congress working for flood control legislation and appropriation and is now at the capital to try to get some regulation of Canadian shingle imports, as well as his work for flood control funds, in which he was successful.

A. G. Mosier, local engineer, was sent yesterday by the Sedro-Woolley Chamber of Commerce to confer with Col. H. J. Wild, United States district engineer in Seattle, who will have charge of this kind of work. Mosier was informed that the money would be spent at all points along the river, as recommended by the recent Skagit river survey, made for the state planning commission by government engineers, largely through the efforts of Congressman Wallgren. This report includes the Lyman and Burlington bends and other dangerous points on the upper river, and according to Mosier, these places will evidently be included in the work, rather than having all the sum expended on the lower river.

It is believed this appropriation will be a big aid in organizing the big flood control district in the county, on which the people will vote next month, as it will decrease considerably the amount needed to be raised by a bond issue, if the district is voted at the election.

The total amount of the flood control appropriation just made is \$3,654,000 for work in 12 counties in this state, giving work to 7,000 men. Snohomish county will get \$941,000; Whatcom \$242,000; Clallam, \$68,000; Jefferson, \$80,000; King, \$425,000; Walla Walla, \$834,000.