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## Work on River Is Progressing

Erosion prevention work on the Skagit river is progressing rapidly now, after some trouble with quicksand, Iner Nelson, engineer in charge, reports. He now has a crew of one hundred and seventy-five men at work on project No. 12, the big Burlington bend, and expects to be finished with this particular job in a month or six weeks. The Sterling bend protection work, finished before the Burlington bend job was started, is in fine condition, with the willow trees growing all along the bank and making a strong protection.

The Burlington bend protection work, runs along the river for a distance of 6,850 feet and should stop most of the high water which has for years threatened Burlington. The work encountered a lot of trouble a short time ago, when the men struck a large quantity of quicksand. Several hundred cords of brush and several hundred yards of material slid into the river. It was necessary to replace this with about three hundred yards of rock work and now, according to Nelson, it is impossible to tell where the quicksand was found. After the Burlington job is completed the men will be moved to more projects up the river from Sedro-Woolley.