

ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2020

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**NEW SECTION. Sec. 1033. FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
Catastrophic Flood Relief (20084850)**

(1) The appropriations in this section are subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(a) \$1,320,000 of the appropriations are provided solely for the Chehalis basin flood control authority or other local flood districts

- (i) to study, develop, construct, maintain, operate, and fund flood control measures throughout the basin,
- (ii) to complete by December 25 2011 the ongoing study of the effect of possible retention structures on fish in the basin, and
- (iii) to complete the hydraulic model for the Chehalis river to calculate flood levels, flood damages, and benefits of proposed flood mitigation projects for the lower portions of the river; and

(b) \$1,200,000 of the appropriations are provided solely for nonfederal matching funds and state agency costs associated with the United States army corps of engineers flood hazard mitigation projects for the Chehalis river basin.

(2) By July 2012, the office of financial management, in collaboration with the department of transportation and the department of ecology, and affected and interested federal agencies, tribal governments and local governments, must provide a report to the governor and legislature that identifies recommended priority flood hazard mitigation projects in the Chehalis river basin for continued feasibility and design work. The report must:

- (a) Address the potential for flood mitigation through upstream water retention facilities, including benefits and impacts to fish and potential mitigation of impacts;
- (b) Describe the current alignment and design of the federal flood levees proposed at Centralia and Chehalis, including extent of protection provided to these communities, and any upstream or downstream effects of the levees;
- (c) Evaluate alternative projects that could protect the interstate highway and the municipal airport at Centralia and Chehalis, and ensure access to medical and other critical community facilities during flood events;
- (d) Discuss other alternatives that could provide flood relief and protection in the basin, such as replacement of highway bridges that constrain flood waters, flood easements on agricultural lands, livestock evacuation facilities and routes, small-scale water diversion

and retention, use of riparian habitat and environmental restoration projects to mitigate damages from flood waters, and other projects or programs;

- (e) Summarize the benefits and costs of recommended projects, using available information and accepted benefit/cost methods; and
- (f) Identify the responsible parties and procedures for making final decisions on funding, construction and governance of recommended flood projects, any related and necessary government agreements, and a schedule for these decisions.

(3) It is the intent of the legislature to fulfill the commitment of section 101, chapter 179, Laws of 2008 and chapter 180, Laws of 2008, by appropriating funds when the federal match requirement is needed.

Reappropriation:

State Building Construction Account--State. \$2,980,000

Appropriation:

State Building Construction Account--State \$895,000

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| Prior Biennia (Expenditures) | \$5,610,000 |
| Future Biennia (Projected Costs) | \$40,515,000 |
| TOTAL | \$50,000,000 |