

TABLE 1-3a.  
SHORT-TERM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR YAKIMA COUNTY CFHMP

Goals	Objectives
Identify flood hazards, propose alternatives, and select appropriate flood hazard management measures and funding plans.	<p>Prepare a comprehensive flood hazard management plan to address flooding problems in study area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At a minimum, propose permanent management measures for the principal flood problems</li> <li>• Update existing O&amp;M plan.</li> <li>• Select flood hazard management measures based on the following criteria:: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Severity of problem</li> <li>— Effectiveness, with emphasis on solving regional problems</li> <li>— Cost</li> <li>— Public acceptance</li> <li>— Impacts</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Prepare a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) from selected alternatives</li> <li>• Secure County and Ecology approval of the CFHMP.</li> </ul>
Implement short-term actions to help alleviate current flooding problems.	Identify maintenance actions and other changes to existing City and County programs that can be achieved with existing resources.
Ensure that pending and near-term development proposals are consistent with goals and objectives of the CFHMP.	<p>Communicate with private developers to convey the results of interim CFHMP analyses affecting proposed development parcels.</p> <p>Review development proposals to ensure consistency with flood hazard management alternatives that are likely to be developed in the CFHMP.</p>

TABLE 1-3b.  
LONG-TERM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR YAKIMA COUNTY CFHMP

Goals	Objectives
Prevent the loss of life, creation of public health or safety problems, or damage of public and private property.	<p>Implement flood hazard management measures as approved in the CFHMP.</p> <p>Give preference to nonstructural measures such as regulations and preservation of existing drainage corridors.</p>
Maintain the varied uses of existing drainage pathways and floodplains within the county	<p>Preserve opportunities for floodplain uses that are compatible with periodic flooding. Discourage land uses in the floodplain that are incompatible with periodic flooding.</p> <p>Adopt flood control measures that preserve or enhance existing fishery, wildlife, and other natural uses of the riparian zone.</p> <p>Ensure that changes in land use in natural drainage corridors restore the natural character wherever possible.</p>
Prevent the degradation of surface and groundwaters	<p>Minimize the impact of contaminants and sediment in stormwater runoff on receiving waters (Yakima River) and groundwater aquifers.</p> <p>Meet the requirements of potential NPDES stormwater discharge regulations for outfalls to the Yakima River.</p> <p>Integrate water quality needs with flood control needs to provide consistency in flood hazard management.</p>

TABLE 1-3b (continued).  
LONG-TERM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR YAKIMA COUNTY CFHMP

Goals	Objectives
<p>Establish and adopt a systematic and comprehensive approach to flood hazard management.</p>	<p>Pursue strategies for flood hazard management that balance engineering, economic, environmental, and social factors in relation to stated goals and objectives</p> <p>Evaluate goals and objectives every five years to maintain consistency with current policy.</p> <p>Maintain consistency with Yakima County and local comprehensive plans, the state Growth Management Act, and related policy plans through measures including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing appropriate public services for new developments.</li> <li>• Preserving natural drainage areas, especially known floodplains.</li> <li>• Adopting development codes that reflect policies on flood hazard management..</li> </ul> <p>Coordinate flood hazard planning with all interested and affected parties in both public and private sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate with the Yakama Indian Nation</li> <li>• Cooperate with reclamation district, utilities, DOT, etc.</li> <li>• Coordinate with cities to solve mutual flooding problems</li> <li>• Establish an Advisory Committee while developing the CFHMP</li> <li>• Provide public opportunity to comment on flood hazard management decisions</li> </ul> <p>Improve public understanding of flood hazard management through public education.</p>
<p>Establish a stable, adequate, and publicly acceptable long-term source of financing.</p>	<p>Determine flood hazard management funding needs and alternatives in the CFHMP (i.e., a Capital Improvement Plan).</p> <p>Establish a funding mechanism to help implement the CFHMP.</p>
<p>Minimize the expenditure of public funds, including funding of emergency measures, through effective flood hazard management.</p>	<p>Develop structural and nonstructural measures to prevent or minimize existing flood problems that are the responsibility of the county.</p> <p>Adopt regulations to prevent new development from causing flood damage or from being susceptible to damage by floods.</p> <p>Adopt a drainage design guidance manual that includes uniform standards for design and construction of private facilities and minimum criteria for new development to mitigate the impact of development on water quality, flooding, and erosion.</p>