

**Sol Duc River drowning, Nov. 13, 2006 at Highway 101 bridge west of Sappho.
WSDOT Bridge 101/314 at milepost 203.15.**



View of log jam from the bridge. Note square ends of upright logs and their fresh appearance. The blue object in the center is the victim's wet suit.

Nov. 13, 2006 Clallam Co. Sheriff's photo.

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Note horizontal log with square cut end and root wad to the left, upon which the victim was trapped. The longer horizontal softwood log cabled to the horizontal log at the time of the drowning is absent.

Photo by Merle Watson.



South Fork, Snoqualmie River

The current at the outside bend of a river will sweep people and debris in the water toward this DDES approved project.



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Close up of the sieve created by a LWD project (low water view).



Raging River

This bank stabilization project in the main current approved by DDES encroaches where summer inner tubers float.



Skykomish River

This tree with rootwad protruding over the river can knock over a boater or inner tuber at low water. At higher water, it can trap them in the pocket beneath the wood.



North Fork, Stillaguamish

Large cables are commonly used to secure wood projects.

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This failed cable now spans the main channel at a level that will knock over and potentially entangle anyone floating the river.



←== CABLE !!



Middle Fork, Snoqualmie – Mason Thorsen project

The river turns right but the water continues straight through the wood and debris to the bank.



Part of the danger of rootwads and other LWD is the potential to snag clothing and entrap victims, as well as recruit wood.