

NORTH SHORE LEVEE PROJECT UPDATE

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The North Shore Levee project includes 5.7 miles of new levee between the Wishkah and Hoquiam Rivers to protect against coastal flood events, plus significant upgrades to and expansion of stormwater pumps to improve drainage. From a regulatory standpoint, the project will remove over 3,100 properties in Aberdeen and Hoquiam, including Downtown Aberdeen, from the area that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has mapped as Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) due to coastal flood risk. Properties removed from the SFHA will no longer be subject to National Flood Insurance Program building code and flood insurance regulations, financial burdens that cost the community millions each year and hinder local investment.

Since our last community meetings in April, the project team has continued to finalize the design for the levee and get ready for permitting. Additionally, our team has continued to reach out to the community and to pursue outside funding to support the next steps of the process.

REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY

Community outreach has been a fundamental component of the North Shore Levee project. We have continued to have individual meetings with property owners along the proposed levee alignment as necessary to discuss property-specific issues. To meet the community where they are, we have attended local meetings and events as well. Through these efforts, we have reached many people who had not yet learned about the North Shore Levee project.

You May Have Seen Us At:

- Aberdeen Rotary Club, June 6, 2018
- Aberdeen Lions Club, June 18, 2018
- Founder's Day Parade, June 30, 2018
- Hoquiam Lions Club, Aug 22, 2018

HOW DO I ASK QUESTIONS, SUBMIT COMMENTS, OR FIND MORE INFORMATION?

You may submit questions or comments about the project at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/levee> at any time and, at your request, a project team member will get back to you via your preferred communication method. Questions and comments may also be submitted in-person at the second floor of Aberdeen City Hall or at Hoquiam City Hall.

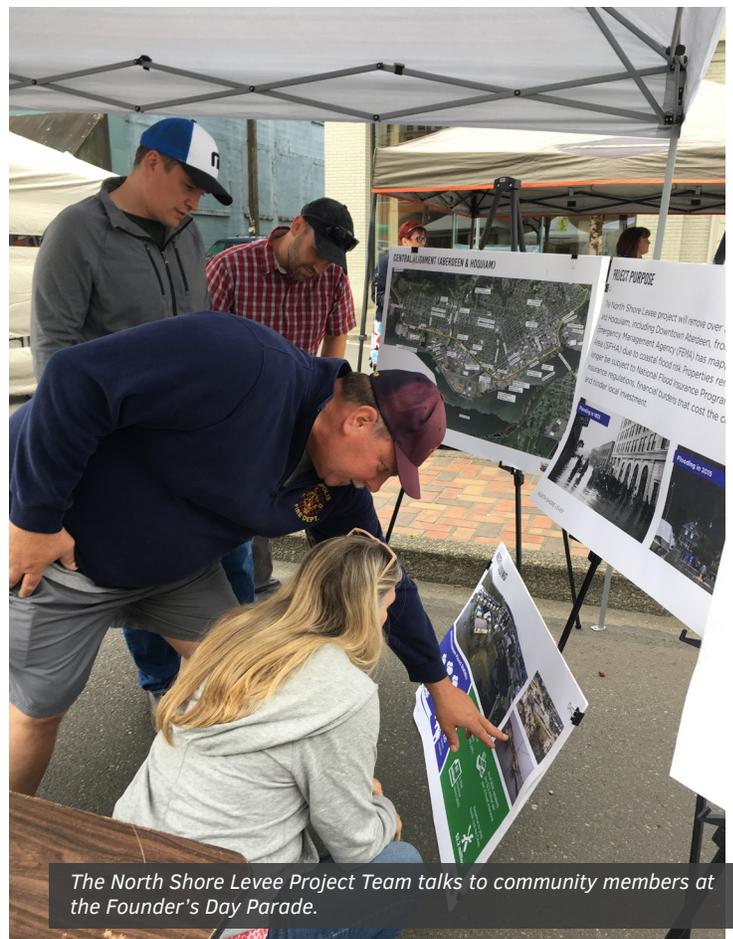
For more information, go to ezview.wa.gov/aberdeenfloodrelief and click on "North Shore Levee."

OBTAINING OUTSIDE FUNDING

The project team has been pursuing a number of different grants that would fund the next steps of the project. These grants include:

- County .09 Economic Development Funds (\$500,000 requested and awarded)
- Office of the Chehalis Basin 2019-2021 Budget (\$10,000,000 in OCB's proposed budget)
- Washington Coast Restoration and Resilience Initiative (\$2,000,000 requested)
- FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program (planning request)

In addition, the City of Hoquiam has received \$250,000 from the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority to begin pre-design on flood solutions and levee alignment on the west side of the Hoquiam River. An additional \$416,403 for this work is included in the Flood Authority's proposed 2019-2021 budget.



The North Shore Levee Project Team talks to community members at the Founder's Day Parade.

NORTH SHORE LEVEE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

STEP	STATUS
1 Surveying, Modeling, & Analysis	Complete
2 First Phase of Public Outreach, Government & Agency Coordination	Complete
3 Develop Preliminary Design & Science Package, Submit to FEMA	Complete
4 Receive Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR)	Complete
5 Second Phase of Public Outreach, Government & Agency Coordination	Fully Funded, In Progress
6 Final Design, Permitting, & Right of Way Plan	Fully Funded, In Progress
7 Construction	2019-2021 State Budget Request
8 Levee Certification & Letter of Map Revision (LOMR); Remapping Protected Areas from SFHA to Zone X	Contingent Upon Construction

TIMBERWORKS: TURNING THE MASTER PLAN INTO ACTION

The design of Fry Creek is progressing and the City of Aberdeen anticipates construction may begin as early as 2019. The project will benefit the community through improved management of flood waters, natural habitat, and recreational amenities. Construction of the project will be funded by the State's 2017-2019 biennium capital budget through the Washington Coast Restoration Initiative.

