

Chehalis Basin Strategy  
"Reducing Flood Damage and Enhancing Aquatic Species"  
Policy Workshop

Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and  
Friday, May 23, 2014 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm  
Veteran's Memorial Museum  
100 SW Veterans Way, Chehalis, WA 98532

### Purpose of Workshop

This is the second of three Policy Workshops for the Chehalis Basin Strategy "Reducing Flood Damage and Enhancing Aquatic Species." The final workshop will be held in September 25-26, 2014. For more background information on the project, please visit <http://ruckelshauscenter.wsu.edu/ChehalisFlooding.html>.

The purpose of the Policy Workshops is to present technical studies to the Governor's Chehalis Basin Work Group, Chehalis Basin Flood Authority members, tribal officials, state agency managers, and other interested parties who will provide input regarding the policy implications of the technical issues. The Governor's Chehalis Basin Work Group will make the policy decisions that guide the direction of the project and ultimately form their recommendations to the Governor and legislature by November 2014.

At the May 22-23 policy workshop, we will provide the latest information on the benefits, impacts and costs for flood damage reduction strategies and the preliminary aquatic species enhancement plan. The timing of this workshop is critical to gain policy input prior to conducting a benefit cost analysis and other analyses to compare different scenarios and strategies for reducing flood damage and enhancing aquatic species. Below is the workshop agenda.

## Workshop Agenda

### Day One – Thursday, May 22, 2014

8:30 Welcome: Michael Kern, William D. Ruckelshaus Center

8:45 Overview of Process to Develop Recommendations to the Governor and Legislature – Jim Kramer, Project Manager and Facilitator

9:15 Flooding in the Chehalis – Larry Karpack, Watershed Science and Engineering

9:45 Break

10:00 Aquatic Species Enhancement Plan – John Ferguson, Anchor QEA and Erik Neatherlin, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Water Retention – Bob Montgomery, Anchor QEA, Jim Peterson, HDR and Larry Karpack, Watershed Science and Engineering

4:00 Adjourn

### Day Two – Friday, May 23, 2014

8:30 Interstate 5 Alternatives – Bart Gernhart and Kevin Miller, Washington Department of Transportation

10:00 Break

10:15 Comprehensive Flood proofing/Buyout Program and Localized Projects - Jim Kramer, Project Manager and Bob Montgomery, Anchor QEA

11:30 Conclusions and Next Steps – Jim Kramer

12:00 Adjourn