

To: Chehalis Flood Authority Members

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RE: Process for OFM Alternatives Report

I want to provide you the current timeline for the legislatively required report on flood mitigation alternatives in the Chehalis Basin. Below are the key milestones in the process:

1. Collection of project information from Authority members and others: April 15 – May 7th
2. Technical workshop sponsored by the Ruckelshaus Center to evaluate the technical merits of potential flood mitigation projects: week of May 17th
3. Materials prepared for policy workshop: week of June 4th
4. Two-day policy workshop sponsored by the Ruckelshaus Center: June 14 – 15th
5. Public draft report: Week of July 11th
6. End of comment period for public draft: week of August 2nd
7. Final report published: August 31st

The technical and policy workshops will be sponsored by the Ruckelshaus Center and facilitated by me. The workshops will not be Authority meetings but Ruckelshaus Center meetings. In addition to Authority members, representatives will be invited from the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation and Quinault Indian Nation as well as a representative of the Governor's Office. The purpose of the workshops is to identify where there is concurrence on the issues and where there are differences. The conclusions from the workshops will be summarized and included in the report to the legislature.

I am sorry I will not be with you at your meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2012. Please let me know if you have questions.