



PRESS RELEASE

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North Shore Levee Project Open House on December 6th 2016

The Cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam will be hosting an open house for the general public on Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 regarding the North Shore Levee Project. The open house will be at 6:00pm at the Rotary Log Pavilion, 1401 Sargent Blvd, Aberdeen, WA, 98520.

The North Shore Levee – a proposed system of earthen dikes, floodwalls, raised roadways, and pump stations – is a partnership between the Cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam to provide comprehensive flood protection and flood insurance relief to our community. Continuing where Aberdeen's Southside Levee left off, the North Shore Levee's target area of protection is bordered by the Hoquiam River on the west, Grays Harbor and the Chehalis River on the south, and the Wishkah River on the east. This project is the next step towards the ultimate goal of providing protection for all our lowland areas.

Following the previous public open house on September 20th, this meeting is another opportunity to meet with city officials and the design team. At this meeting the Cities will share and discuss:

- Results of a survey questionnaire collected in September
- Results of detailed hydraulic modeling
- How FEMA accreditation criteria was used to establish the preferred alignment
- The location of the preferred alignment
- Flood protection approaches for properties location outside (riverward) of the preferred alignment
- Next steps for the levee design and the subsequent submittal to FEMA to obtain a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR)

The North Shore Levee Project is coordinated with the Timberworks Resiliency and Restoration Master Plan. Together with consultants, the Cities are developing a framework and action plan for a multiple-benefit approach to addressing flooding issues in the communities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam. For more information on these projects, visit the Aberdeen Flood Relief Projects website:

www.ezview.wa.gov/aberdeenfloodrelief