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Duckabush & Dosewallips

Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan (CFHMP)

Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

July 31, 2008
5:30 – 7:30 pm
Brinnon Fire Hall

Advisory Committee Members Present: Ron Figlar Barnes (Skokomish Tribe), Kevin Farrell (WA Dept. of Ecology), Doris Small (WDFW), Eric Hendricks (State Parks), Ross Goodwin (DNR), Bob Hamlin (JeffCo. Emergency Services), Bob Herbst (Brinnon Fire Chief), Tami Pokorny (JeffCo. Dept. Env. Health/WRIA 16), Jim Pearson (JeffCo. Public Works), Richard Brocksmith (Hood Canal Coordinating Council), Dennis Splett (Lazy C Homeowners), Bob Shadbolt (Olympic Canal Tracts), Joe Baisch (Brinnon Business Community), Jim Watson (Local Citizen), Hal Beattie (Local Citizen)

Staff: Ryan Hunter, Jerry Louthain (HDR), Rona Spellecacy (HDR)

Public: John Dowd, Dalila Dowd, Joy Baisch, Darrell Fleshman, Miriam Fleshman, Dick Bergeron, Ron Stephens, Len Schraeder, R. Coone

5:30: Introductions, review of agenda, and formal presentation

Following introductions and review of the agenda, County staff gave a brief presentation on what is a Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan, the purpose of flood planning, and the general goals and expected process of the Duckabush and Dosewallips CFHMP(Plan).

6:00: Review of draft Plan outline and discussion of Plan's goals and components

Jerry Louthain presented the committee a draft outline of the plan and discussed each component of the plan.

6:30: Comment and discussion on existing conditions and flooding problems from Advisory Committee members and the public

Public comment – Brinnon has a Flood Board and they need to be represented on the Advisory Committee

Jim Pearson – Public Works has a lot of data that will need to be included in the analysis

Bob Herbst – Duckabush and Dosewallips bridges are under review for replacement by the Department of Transportation

Richard Brocksmith – Wood piles up at the Dosewallips bridge, it is a chronic problem, so DOT is looking to do a project that allows logs to pass beyond the bridge

Public Comment – Dosewallips Road washout from 5 years ago is sending large amounts of sediment downstream. (This is located on US Forest Service land at River Mile 9.7, which is upstream of the Project Area for this Plan)

- Why are they removing wood in some places of the river and placing it in elsewhere?
- 400,000 cubic yards of material is coming down from that road washout, Plan is irrelevant without addressing the road

Bob Herbst – Wood is piling up at Highway 101 bridge from upstream projects where wood has been required to be added with bank protection projects, for fish habitat

General discussion of current process on getting road repair work done

Jerry Louthain – Will ask the Forest Service to join us for Advisory Committee meetings

- One objective of this Plan is to determine what is going on with the river, where is the sediment coming from, where does it go, what does it do and the same with the water and wood

Richard Brocksmith – Hood Canal Coordinating Council has some good build-out analysis, current conditions analysis

Bob Herbst – Tides affect flooding in a major way

- Duckabush fire station flooded because a culvert plugged at Pierce Creek crossing of Duckabush River Road as a result of logging upstream

Bob Shadbolt – Plan needs to be pro-active, not reactive

Kevin Farrell – Plan will need to prioritize problems and projects

Public comment – Need to speak with Rick Endicot at Long Live the Kings about deciding not to plant fish because conditions in the river are not conducive to fish survival due to the flooding and sediment issues related to the road washout

Doris Small – WDFW has more information on Long Live the Kings work

- Need to address native shellfish in the natural features analysis

Public comment – In 1983 there was a big gathering, spent \$250,000 on study, decided to put \$75,000 into rip-rap on the river, but didn't have the money to implement, all money goes to planning, but none to projects

Jim Pearson – Public Works has information on areas of flood problem areas

Tami Pokorny – Synopsis of Brinnon sub-area plan should be included in Section 2 of the plan

Ron Figlar-Barnes – What fish runs are in the river?

General discussion about fish runs in the river

6:40: Preliminary discussion of existing conditions and flooding problems on each river

Bob Herbst – Fire hall needs to be moved, but the big problem is that grants are based on population, but permanent population is small, even though there are more people here in summer

Kevin Farrell – Feds condition grants on population base, but the state generally does not

Dennis Splett – Lazy C priority is bank erosion abatement, water breaks through at low area that needs dike

Bob Shadbolt – 600 lots in Olympic Canal Tracts, everyone would be affected by flooding because of dead end roads

Public comment – Above the Lazy C we've lost our emergency exit, if we lose Rocky Brook Road we are trapped

- Big cedars washed out above Dick's property right where basalt constriction comes out
- 600 ft. stretch of erosion is occurring and can't do anything because the environmentalists won't let us
- Need to include Dosewallips road washout in plan, at least put pressure on the Forest Service to do something about it
- Forest Service is talking about putting a barrier up to stop the bank erosion
- Need to include consideration of tributary streams in the plan

Tami Pokorny – In Desired Future Conditions or in Goals section of Plan, discuss Brinnon Sub-area Plan or what the community envisions for the river

Public comment – Where is implementation funding coming from? There is so much money for planning and so little for implementation

Kevin Farrell – Discussion of FCAAP funding and two-year funding cycle. Applications will need to be submitted by early next year for funding projects and plans proposed to be done during the two-year period from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011.

General discussion of Big Quilcene CFHMP and need for fact sheet on lessons learned

Jim Watson – Existing rip rap on the Dosewallips needs to be extended

Comment – extension needs to occur now, before the plan is finished

Kevin Farrell – need to create an e-mail list of Advisory Committee members and interested parties

Public comment – need to call the Forest Service before the August 19th comment deadline on Dosewallips Road washout

Public comment--Should provide notice of public meetings more than one day in advance

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10pm