

TO: Southwest Washington Fair Attendees

SUBJECT: Flood Hazard Reduction in the Chehalis Basin

	Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority Local Flood Hazard Reduction Projects	 Formal organization of Basin governments set-up to advance flood hazard reductio throughout the Basin for citizens, businesses, agricultural interests and more. See http://www.ezview.wa.gov/chehalisfloodauthority. Major focus is to implement local flood hazard reduction projects throughout the Basin that will benefit local communities on a near-term time-scale. Local Projects Information Center: https://www.ezview.wa.gov/site/alias_1492/34489/local_projects.aspx Local Project Websites: https://www.ezview.wa.gov/chehalisbasinlocalfloodreliefprojects
3.	Farm Pads	25+ pads and evacuation routes constructed throughout the Basin to save lives, livelihoods and protect public health and safety. See <u>http://arcg.is/2b632Ai</u> .
4.	Habitat Investments	Habitat investments are being made throughout the Basin concurrent with local flood hazard reduction projects to benefit <u>both</u> fish and flood reduction.
5.	Chehalis Basin Strategy	Basin-wide effort to evaluate and implement large scale flood reduction solutions where appropriate, including: Dam in upper Basin; I-5 protection; Aberdeen/Hoquiam levee; major habitat investments; and more. See <u>http://chehalisbasinstrategy.com/</u> .
6.	Flood Warning System	Web-based system for the public to track/monitor flood condition throughout the Basin from 120+ flood sensors/gages. See <u>www.chehalisriverflood.com/.</u>
7.	Office of Chehalis Basin (OCB)	OCB is a new organization located at the WA State Department of Ecology created to aggressively pursue implementation of an integrated Strategy for long-term flood damage reduction and aquatic species restoration in the Chehalis River Basin. OCB is overseen by new Chehalis Basin Board. See <u>http://chehalisbasinstrategy.com/office-of-chehalis-basin/</u>
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