Chehalis Basin Strategy

"Reducing Flood Damage and Enhancing Aquatic Species"

Policy Workshop

November 13, 2013

8:30-4:30

Great Wolf Lodge

Purpose: This is the first of three Policy Workshops for this project, the other two being in February and September, 2014. The purpose of the policy workshops is to provide input to the Governor's Chehalis Basin Work Group as they guide the year-long process to develop recommendations to the Governor and legislature by November 2014. Each of the policy workshops will be preceded by technical workshops which will identify the key technical information that will be the basis for the policy recommendations. This first policy workshop will focus on critical issues that are important to guide the analyses over the next few months. The workshop participants will include the Governor's Chehalis Basin Work Group, members of the Chehalis Basin Flood Authority, tribal officials, state agency managers and other interested parties. The public is welcome at the workshop.

Agenda

- I. 8:30 Welcome and Introductions
- II. 8:45 Charge to the Governor's Chehalis Basin Work Group and the Process to Develop Recommendations to the Governor and Legislature by November 2014
- III. 9:15 The history of floods in the Basin and discussion of what floods should be analyzed as the focus for reducing damage.
- IV. 10:15 Break
- V. 10:30 Aquatic species in the Basin, latest findings and strategy for creating an enhancement plan
- VI. 11:30 Alternatives that will be considered for flood damage reduction
- VII. 12:00 Lunch
- VIII. 1:00 Research on Innovative Dam Designs and Fish Passage
- IX. 2:00 Criteria and methods for comparing alternatives
- X. 3:00 Break
- XI. 3:15 Public Comment
- XII. 3:45 Conclusions and Next Steps
- XIII. 4:30 Adjourn