



Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District

Erik P. Martin, P.E., District Administrator

*351 NW North St
Chehalis, WA 98532-1900*

Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee Special Meeting Minutes

Location: Lewis County Commissioners Hearing Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, 351 NW North St., Chehalis WA 98532
Meeting Date: Thursday, November 4, 2021
Meeting Time: 8:00 am

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bill Brumsickle at 8:05 a.m., Thursday, November 4, 2021. Those in attendance were:

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| Erik Martin | Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Administrator |
| Lara McRea | Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors |
| Dan Maughan | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member (Zoom) |
| Steve Grega | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member (Zoom) |
| Frank Corbin | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member (Zoom) |
| Bill Brumsickle | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member |
| David Fenn | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member (Zoom) |
| Charles Coddington | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member (Zoom) |
| J. Vander Stoep | Office of the Chehalis Basin (Zoom) |
| Austin Majors | Lewis County Public Information Specialist |

Absent:

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| John Henriksen | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member |
| Jason Humphrey | Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member |

Approval of Minutes for September 9, 2021

Dave made a motion to approve the minutes of September 9, 2021. Steve seconded the motion. Motion approved.

2022 Preliminary Budget Review

Erik reviewed the 2022 preliminary budget with the group. The budget is set to be passed on Tuesday, December 7.

There are two revenue sources in the 2022 budget. The first is RCO Funding that is a partnership in the Chehalis Basin Strategy and the .09 Distressed Counties Funding. The CFHMP RCO grant will be closed out this year and won't be part of the revenue for 2022. The biggest part of this is the RCO funding for the Chehalis Basin Strategy.



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The Chehalis Basin Board passed their biennium budget this past summer and the district's portion was a little over 4 million dollars.

Erik reviewed the expenditure section to include work by the district's governmental affairs consultants, environmental work by HDR and also Avoidance, Minimization and Mitigation work. Also there is budget for mitigation work to be done by Kleinschmidt.

Erik discussed a new employee the district needs to hire soon.

He also explained the .09 funding is for HDR's communication team.

CFHMP update

Erik explained the Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan (CFHMP) needs to be adopted and a joint hearing will be held on November 30. The CFHMP is a project the district has been working on and funded with a grant through the Flood Authority. The district needed a capital facilities plan as the water retention facility and airport levee project needed to be added to a capital facilities list. The CFHMP is a guidance document for the district to talk about what the district should do and could do and give it some direction. If you follow the right steps and do the public outreach correctly it can give you additional credit in your Community Rating Systems (CRS). This helps reduce flood insurance costs for everyone in the community.

Social media and communications update

Erik noted he gave a presentation at the annual flood meeting that HDR had developed about how to tell our story.

Erik said some of the data is being refined but will get a copy to the group once it is updated.

He also said Austin Majors put out a press release highlighting the communication efforts and highlight a couple of key points.

- The district has committed to a no-net-loss of fish habitat. When we are done with project and mitigation there will be at least no impact and likely a lift in aquatic species habitat.
- As the CFHMP was being developed the consultant did a HAZUS model which is a disaster model that looks at economic impacts. As this was reviewed just two structures with the facility and the airport levee in place, in a 100 year event, it could save up to \$241 million dollars.

The district will continue to inform people consistently in 2022 and ramp up the efforts before the final EISs come out.

Project update

Erik reported the district has been having targeted meetings with the Dept. of Ecology. The district submitted to them a list of commitments the district made and also technical information behind those commitments. Ecology has had questions and needs more information about some of the commitments. Erik noted the meetings have been productive in getting Ecology the information they need.



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There is another round of information about vegetation management and mitigation that will be coming out in mid-December. This information will be submitted to the Army Corps and Ecology so it will help them finalize their EIS's.

Erik also said there was a request from Quinault Indian Nation to discuss the Vegetation Management Plan and mitigation. Erik, Betsy and Kleinschmidt reps will attend the meeting.

Erik extended the offer to the Chehalis Tribe if they would like to have a meeting as well.

Announcements

No comments.

Adjournment

Dan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank seconded the motion. Meeting ended at 8:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lara McRea".

Lara McRea
Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors