

Chehalis River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Project

AGENCIES SEEK PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SCOPE OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Proposed Project

The Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District is seeking to reduce flood damage by:

- ▶ Constructing a new flood retention facility and temporary reservoir on the Chehalis River near the town of Pe Ell in Lewis County, Washington
- ▶ Raising the current levee at the Chehalis-Centralia Airport in Chehalis, Washington

The Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) are seeking public comments to help define what should be studied in the environmental review for the Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District's proposed flood damage reduction project for the Chehalis River Basin.

Ecology and USACE have determined the proposal could have significant adverse environmental impacts and will require formal studies of those probable impacts through separate state and federal Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) processes. The first step in the environmental review process is obtaining public input about the scope of the EIS to help identify project alternatives, probable significant adverse impacts, potential mitigation measures, and licenses or other approvals that may be required.

The scoping period for public comment is open between September 28 and October 29, 2018.



Public scoping meetings will be held October 16 and 17, 2018

Tuesday, October 16

Montesano City Hall
112 N. Main Street
Montesano, WA 98563

Wednesday, October 17

Centralia College – Bowman Rotary
Banquet Room
600 Centralia College Boulevard
Centralia, WA 98531

Scoping Meeting Format

- ▶ Open house from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- ▶ Short presentation at 5:15 p.m.
- ▶ Oral comments received through 8 p.m.

All the information provided at the scoping meetings will be available for online viewing at: www.chehalisbasinstrategy.com/eis.

How to Provide Comments

There are multiple ways to provide scoping comments. All comments will be valued equally, regardless of how they are submitted.

- IN PERSON: Attend a public scoping meeting
- ONLINE: <http://chehalisbasinstrategy.com/eis/comment-form>
- MAIL: Chehalis Flood Damage Reduction Project EIS
Anchor QEA – 720 Olive Way, Suite 1900
Seattle, WA 98101

TIMING:

The comment scoping period is **September 28 through October 29, 2018.**

