

Town of Shandaken Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Minutes of Meeting



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| Purpose of Meeting: | Steering Committee Organizational Meeting Agenda Item |
| Location of Meeting: | Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP) Offices 3130 State Route 28, Shokan, NY |
| Date/Time of Meeting: | June 11, 2019; 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 |

| Attendees: | Committee Member | Organization | Representing |
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| | Aaron Bennett | Environmental Planner-UC Dept. of Environment | stakeholder |
| | Adam Doan | Ulster County Soil and Water Conservation District | stakeholder |
| | Phil Eskeli | Flood Hazard Mitigation Coordinator-NYCDEP | stakeholder |
| | Brent Gotsch | Cornell Cooperative Extension-Ulster County | stakeholder |
| | Howie McGowan | Town of Shandaken/Town Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer | government |
| | Justine McNeilly* | Catskill Watershed Corporation | stakeholder |
| | Robert Stanley | Town of Shandaken/Town Supervisor | government |
| | Leslie Zucker | Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program | stakeholder |
| | Cynthia Bianco | consultant | consultant |

*Alternate committee member

Agenda Summary: Review project status; review draft plan outreach and feedback. Review RLAA outreach and survey responses. Review RLAA approach for identification and delineation of RLAA areas.

| Item No. | Description | Action By: |
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| 1. | Project Status Update: The plan will be posted to the Shandaken Flood Mitigation Plan website for public comment and has been forwarded to identified stakeholders for review and feedback via email and US Mail. Outreach to residents in the initially identified repetitive loss areas has been performed via letter posted by US Mail. Each property owner in the identified areas was requested to provide feedback regarding property flood history via an online survey. | |
| 2. | Outreach and Feedback: a. Draft Plan: A request to review the draft plan and to provide any additional information or feedback was transmitted to the following agencies and communities: NYDOT; Ulster County Office of Emergency Management; NYS DHSES; CaRDI (Community and Regional Development Institute); Northeast Regional (Cornell) Climate Center ; Mid-Hudson Valley American Red Cross; NYS Climatologist; Climate Smart program; FEMA; USGS; ORDA (NYS Olympic Regional Development Authority); Ulster County Board of Realtors; | |

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| | <p>Town of Olive; Town of Hardenburgh; Town of Woodstock; Town of Denning; Town of Middletown; Town of Hunter; Village of Margaretville; Delaware County Planning; Delaware County OEM</p> <p>With the exception of a request to clarify the purpose of the outreach from the Big Indian District Fire Department, no feedback has been received to date.</p> <p>b. Repetitive Loss Area Outreach and Survey: 162 hard copy letters were posted via US Mail to property owners in the initially identified repetitive loss areas with a request to fill out a survey to gather information on flood history and impacts to the properties. To date 9 responses have been received. The committee will work to include a short article in the Esopus Creek Newsletter to urge recipients to fill out the survey.</p> | |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>Additional Items/Next Steps: The committee reviewed the updated delineation of Repetitive Loss areas within the Town, comprised of clusters of structures with similar flood exposure to documented NFIP properties in the planning areas and indicated that inclusion properties with damages due to the Hurricane Irene represent a statistically probable storm and should be considered in further analysis. The consultant will include these properties in the analysis which will expand the number of properties included in the repetitive loss areas.</p> | |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. A public meeting to present the draft plan and repetitive loss area analysis process; and to gather information from the repetitive loss letter recipients will take place on Tuesday, June 18th at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>The next S.A.F.A.R.I. meeting will be at 10 am on July 9, 2019 at AWSMP offices.</p> | |