



King County

NE 8th Street and Allen Lake Outlet
Final Public Meeting Notes Prepared by Claire Jonson, KC WLRD
October 29, 2011, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

Action Items:

- King County Water and Land Resources Division (KC WLRD) will look into permitting for clearing 2 driveway culverts and removing trash racks on 2 other driveway culverts, located north of NE 8th Street.
- Draft feasibility study available on the website for public review by March 31, 2012
- Public meeting to discuss the feasibility study by April 30, 2012
- Finalize the feasibility study and begin design by July 1, 2012

Notes:

-Curt Crawford made introductions of project, WLRD, DOT, City of Sammamish staff, and meeting facilitators.

-Curt Crawford presented the west outlet evaluation. The west outlet survey indicates that 6 feet would have to be removed for the Allen Lake Channel to outlet to the west. This evaluation shows that this alternative is not feasible because of high cost and high difficulty in permitting.

-Jeff Burkey presented the Preliminary Hydraulic Analysis. Attached is his presentation in Acrobat pdf format: [Allen Lake Outlet Tributary Hydraulic Analysis](#)

-Claire Jonson presented schedule, budget, what has been done, and what 2012 plans are.

-Jon Cassidy presented the emergency access route options. The emergency access routes options are not feasible because the easements would likely not be granted.

-Don Althausser presented the preliminary capital improvement options.

- Attached is the October 28, 2011 presentation presented by Claire, Jon, and Don in Acrobat pdf format: [Public Meeting Presentation](#)

-Call 206-296-1900 for drainage complaints.

-Call 206-296-8100 for the roads helpline.

Public Comments:

Note that these are comments of some of the people who spoke, not all.

-?- What has changed in the last 10 years?

-Scott Miller – In 2001, regulations regarding the trapping of beavers were made more strict.



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- Marilyn Vitale has a beaver trapper trap 2 to 3 beavers per year on her property.
- Eric LaFrance pointed out that the west outlet survey indicates that 6 feet would have to be removed for the Allen Lake Channel to outlet to the west. Sediment is accumulated in inches per year, not feet per year.
- Jeff Newfeld suggested taking 1 foot of muck out of Allen Lake for more storage capacity. Curt Crawford clarified that this would require an Army Corps of Engineers permit. This is a complicated permit that requires approximately 1 to 2 years to process.
- ?- What was the size of the lake prior to impervious surface? Jeff Burkey noted that a 1965 book called "Lakes of Washington" has this information. Attached is a section of this book regarding Allen Lake in Acrobat pdf format: [Lakes of Washington excerpt](#)
- Jeff Newfeld stated that he wouldn't want to sacrifice his property. Don Althaus stated that the feasibility study will look into schedule, permitability, and easement negotiations.
- Ranee Fox stated that the most feasible emergency access road alternative of going through the BPA Easement Road is not acceptable. There is already a stream roaring through that area as you walk on the BPA trail.
- Greg Allen asked how you could guarantee that the emergency access roads will only be used during emergencies?
- The \$250,000 estimated to build the emergency access road should be used towards fixing the flooding on NE 8th Street, not the emergency access road.
- Marilyn Vitale asked why is there flooding on NE 8th Street but her property could be dry? Jeff Burkey answered because there are high spots in the channel between you and NE 8th Street.
- Keith McCamish stated that he doesn't want King County to come back next year saying we couldn't do anything because of permits and fish window.
- Curt Crawford made closing comments and noted that staff will be available for questions or comments.