



King County

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

Action Items:

- King County Water and Land Resources Division (KC WLRD) will provide early action alternatives with schedules on website by end of March 2011
- KC WLRD will provide Draft Feasibility report by October 2011
- KC WLRD will provide Final Feasibility report by end of 2011
- KC WLRD will look at alternative of drainage outlet to the west for Feasibility Report
- King County Department of Transportation (KC DOT) will look into an emergency route – possibly through the power lines
- KC DOT will take down sign for notice of this public meeting at NE 8th Street
- KC DOT will look at replacing culvert cover on NE 8th Street

Notes:

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

-Don Althaus presented the Rapid Assessment Report and Video of King County Sheriff's office aerial footage of the January 2011 storm event.

Public Comments:

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

-Molly Ciliberti: There is a topo map from 1950 ARMY CORE showing the drainage from Allen Lake going to the southwest, crossing 228th, then going to Lake Sammamish. Fred Dodd dug the ditch in 1972. Department of Fish and Wildlife shocked the water in the ditch to the north and found no fish. Development around the area and the golf course were built with inadequate drainage requirements by the County. The current wetlands were artificially created by the surrounding development. The drainage problems were made worse after the 244th road extension was constructed.

-Gail Michelman: Her father dug the ditch to the north. The north ditch can't contain all the water from all the surrounding development. County must find another way for draining Allen Lake.

-Elliott Alhadloff: Are there any alternatives that have a complete solution, what is the cost, are they immediate, or will they take 3 to 5 years. Don Althaus answered that the Feasibility Study will have alternatives analysis. KC will provide early action alternatives. The feasibility study will provide alternatives that may take 3 to 6 years to implement.



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Greg Allen: Agree with Molly Ciliberti about natural flow to the west. Need to look at Allen Lake and vegetation in modeling. The Level 3 detention standard increases duration of flooding. KC Hearing Examiner ignored this and now the nuisance has turned into an emergency. KC must find funding to alleviate emergency. He can volunteer with neighbors to take out blackberries and replant with native vegetation. Need website to show schedule of feasibility study.

Matthew Kona: Make sure that the runoff doesn't shift to private owners in the area.

Larry Herrick?: Basement flooded. Mold in House. Purchased 2 additional sump pumps after 2010, after finish of 244th bridge. SW drainage out of Allen Lake needs to be restored.

Keith McCamish?: Second newest resident on Allen Lake. Encouraged, that KC is doing something. Can't use about an acre of his land once water has receded. Can KC provide property tax relief?

Paul Price: Culverts will not work. Allen Lake is higher than it was. There has been too many environmental studies. They clean their culvert. Three fourths of his land is under water. Used to be a horse land, now is not. Let's make it right.

Dave Burton: More water in Lake Allen. Water is not able to leave the lake. Keep level in the lake lower.

Russell Bennett: Replace culvert cover on NE 8th Street. There is an unauthorized road south of wetlands. There is a membrane left by construction at 244th Ave so that water flows to the east.

Molly Ciliberti: Residents along 250th and Allen Lake are on septic systems.

Jeff Brauns explained that the 244th bridge has no Q value associated with it because it allows water to move freely. There is no backwater from the bridge.

? threatens lawsuit if nothing is done by the next flood.

-Curt Crawford made closing comments and noted that staff will be available for questions or comments.