

**AGENDA**  
**King County Flood Hazard Management Plan Update**  
**Citizen's Committee Meeting # 7**  
**WEDNESDAY, July 25, 2012 5:00 – 8:00**  
**Mercer Island Community Center**  
**8236 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Mercer Island, WA 98040**

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**Objectives:**

- To understand why King County employs bioengineering approaches to levee and revetment projects and why we need to update our design guidelines.
  - To discuss and understand the policy balance between the levee certification and levee accreditation process and the costs with long-term solutions that increase public safety and reduce flood risks throughout the county.
  - To understand the flooding and erosion conditions, the vision and strategy and proposed flood risk reduction actions for the Sammamish River, Issaquah Creek, Cedar River, and Green River.
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**1. Welcome and Citizens Committee Introductions (5 min) 5:00 – 5:05**

**2. Housekeeping (5 min) 5:05 – 5:10**

Review of Minutes from the July 10, 2012 meeting

**3. Bioengineering Issue Paper (15 min) 5:10 – 5:25**

**Key questions:**

1. Should King County continue to employ bioengineering techniques and use large wood as a structural element of river projects given concern about recreational safety?
2. Can bioengineering techniques and large wood be incorporated into projects and can public safety be addressed in the design and/or operations of the projects?

**4. Sammamish River, Issaquah Creek, and Cedar River Strategy and Action Plan (60 Min) 5:25 – 6:25**

**Key question:**

Has King County adequately identified the flooding and erosion hazards on the Sammamish River, Issaquah Creek, and Cedar River and developed a reasonable strategy and set of actions to address those hazards?

**BREAK (10 min)**

**6:25 – 6:35**

**5. Levee Certification and Accreditation (15 Min)**

**6:35 – 6:50**

**Key questions:**

1. Under what circumstances should the District consider taking on the long-term operations and maintenance responsibilities necessary to achieve levee certification and FEMA levee accreditation? What benefits and costs should be included in making this determination?
2. Under what circumstances, should the District consider taking on a larger role than operations and maintenance for certification efforts?
3. How should the District determine the appropriate level of service for levee systems in different parts of King County? Which of the three approaches described in the issue paper are most appropriate? Are other approaches preferable? Should the approach vary by basin? What analyses should be included to inform decision-making regarding the most appropriate level of service (e.g. engineering design standards for safety, cost effectiveness, feasibility, opportunity costs, short-term versus long-term actions)?

**6. Green River Strategy and Action Plan (60 Min)**

**6:50 – 7:50**

**Key Question:**

Has King County adequately identified the flooding and erosion hazards on the Green River and developed a reasonable strategy and set of actions to address those hazards?

**7. General Public Comments (5 min)**

**7:50 – 7:55**

**8. Next Steps (5 min)**

**7:55 – 8:00**

**Next Meeting will be after the release of the draft plan. Date, time and location to be determined.**