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HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PUBLIC OUTREACH SESSION

Citizens of Aberdeen, Hoquiam, Cosmopolis, and any other nearby area are invited to attend a public outreach session hosted by the City of Aberdeen to learn about the risks associated with natural hazards that may impact our area, and to provide input that will assist planners in updating the Grays Harbor County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Location: PUD Nichols Building
220 Myrtle Street
Hoquiam, WA 98550
(ADA accessibility off Sumner Avenue entrance)

Time: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Background:

Grays Harbor County, its jurisdictions, and its special purpose districts are in the process of updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Planning Team recently completed a Risk Assessment and is holding this public outreach session to allow the public an opportunity to review information, provide comments, and provide input. During the session, maps and posters illustrating areas of concern and other data will be available for review and comment. Presentations will also be made by various members of the Planning Team.

Citizen input is vital to assisting the agencies involved in this process to accurately present information in the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Hazards to which our community are at risk include earthquake, tsunami, flood, landslide, severe weather, climate change, drought, wildfire, volcano, and erosion. Our community's local agencies are committed to understanding these risks and developing strategies to reduce the impact that these hazards may have on our community.

The final plan will be available for review by citizens in mid to late April. Citizens should continue to view the County's website for information on this effort, as they will be provided another opportunity to review and comment on the final plan prior to its submission to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

http://www.co.grays-harbor.wa.us/departments/emergency_management/Hazard_Mitigation_Planning.php

Agencies Participating in Session:

City of Aberdeen, City of Cosmopolis, City of Hoquiam, Grays Harbor College, Grays Harbor Community Hospital, Grays Harbor County, Grays Harbor Fire District No. 2 (Central Park), Grays Harbor Transit, Port of Grays Harbor

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