



December 1, 2022

Project: Walker Road/Murray Boulevard Intersection Improvements (Project No. 100238)

Subject: Notification of Flood Hazard Revisions

## Dear Property Owner/Resident

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for a community depicts the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), the area which has been determined to be subject to a 1% (100-year) or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The floodway is the portion of the floodplain that includes the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land area that must be reserved in order to discharge the 1% annual chance (base) flood without cumulatively increasing the water-surface elevation by more than a designated height. The FIRM is used to determine flood insurance rates and to help the community with floodplain management.

Kittelson and Associates (KAI), a consultant retained by Washington County, is applying for a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) on behalf of Washington County to revise FIRM panels 41067C0364F and 41067C0368E along Cedar Mill Creek and North Johnson Creek. Washington County is proposing to make improvements to creek crossings at SW Murray Blvd, SW Walker Rd, and SW Far Vista Dr. It has recently made improvements at SW Jenkins Rd and SW Butner Rd. All of these as part of the County's transportation improvement projects in the area.

Once the remaining County road improvement projects are completed, a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) request will be submitted to FEMA that will revise the following flood hazard areas along Cedar Mill Creek and North Johnson Creek:

- 1. The floodway will be revised from the Tri-Met MAX Light Rail Bridge south of SW Jenkins Road to Highway 26 along Cedar Mill Creek, and from SW Murray Boulevard to Highway 26 along North Johnson Creek.
- 2. A floodway will be established between SW Rita Drive and SW Far Vista Drive that will connect between the revised Cedar Mill Creek and North Johnson Creek floodways.
- 3. Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) will decrease along Cedar Mill Creek and North Johnson Creek.
- 4. The SFHA will increase/decrease along Cedar Mill Creek and increase/decrease along North Johnson Creek

This letter is to inform you of the proposed County road improvement projects that may affect flood elevations on your property. This letter is also to inform you of the potential changes to the effective flood hazard information that would result after the projects are completed and a LOMR request is submitted to FEMA.

Maps and detailed analysis of the flood hazard map revisions can be reviewed online at <a href="https://www.washingtoncountyor.gov/traffic-road-engineering/flood-information">https://www.washingtoncountyor.gov/traffic-road-engineering/flood-information</a>. Should you have questions about the proposed road improvement projects or their effect on your property, please reach out to the contacts listed below.

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