

Summary- Florence County Public Open House - February 17, 2021, via Zoom meeting

Introduction- Meeting Outreach

Invitations were sent out January 29th via email for those contacts DNR had email addresses for per approval from FEMA Regional Project Officer. The invites were also sent via regular mail to everyone. Letters were sent to the Florence County Board Chair and Vice Chair, Township Chairpersons and Clerks, Florence County Emergency Manager, Highway Commissioner, Forestry Director, Land Conservation Technician, and the Florence County Zoning Administrator and Assistant Zoning Administrator. They were asked to share this information widely with their constituents. A list of the attendees is below.

The invitation included a link to the Zoom meeting.

Meeting Time and Location

Wednesday, February 17th, 2021 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM.

Virtual Zoom meeting due to the current Covid-19 pandemic.

Meeting Information

All FEMA and WI DNR staff listed below were present at various times throughout the virtual Zoom meeting timeframe of 4-7 pm. No one from the public joined the meeting. WI DNR and FEMA used this time to answer questions from Scott, the Florence County ZA. WI DNR also got to know a new FEMA staff person, Jerome, and fill him in on this project and discuss other things that came up.

Outreach before the meeting geared towards the general public included a flyer the Zoning Administrator posted around the community. WI DNR also produced a video for the public to view that was made available before the meeting date. The link to the video was given to the County to share with their community members and posted to the DNR website and the Florence County Website.

Attendance

Community	First Name	Last Name	Title	Email Address	Phone #
WI-DNR	Christopher	Olds	State Floodplain Engineer	Christopher.Olds@wisconsin.gov	608-266-5606
WI-DNR	Betsy	Finlay	Floodplain Program Manager	Elizabeth.Finlay@wisconsin.gov	608-266-9610
WI-DNR	Brian	Cunningham	NFIP Coordinator	brian.cunningham@wisconsin.gov	608-220-5633
WI-DNR	Ruth Ann	Fowler	GIS Specialist	ruth.fowler@wisconsin.gov	608-422-0394
WI-DNR	Emily	Szajna	GIS Specialist	emily.szajna@wi.gov	608-264-6047
FEMA	Ken	Hinterlong	Senior Engineer	Ken.Hinterlong@fema.dhs.gov	312-408-5529
FEMA	Nicholas	Bruscato	Emergency Management Specialist	nicholas.bruscato@fema.dhs.gov	312-408-5215
FEMA	Jerome	Huffman	Outreach/Communications Specialist	brandt.huffman@fema.dhs.gov	202-674-8416
FEMA	Cady	Peterson	Planner	cadence.peterson@fema.dhs.gov	202-531-0646