

**Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District  
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Lewis County Commissioners Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Historic Courthouse  
351 NW North St  
Chehalis WA 98532**

**Meeting Date: May 14, 2020**

**Meeting Time: 8:00 am**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by John Henricksen at 8:04 a.m., Thursday, April 9, 2020. Those in attendance were:

Erik Martin	Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Administrator
Lara McRea	Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors
Betsy Dillin	
Dan Maughan (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
John Henricksen (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Steve Grega (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Dave Muller (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Frank Corbin (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Charles Coddington (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
David Fenn (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Jason Humphrey (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Bill Brumsickle (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
Enda Fund (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
John Robinson (teleconference)	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Consultant

**Absent:**

Bonnie Coumbs	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member
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**II. Approval of Minutes for April 9, 2020**

Bill made a motion to approve the minutes of April 9, 2020. Dave seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**III. Review of the draft SEPA EIS**

John Robinson gave an overview of the draft response letter that will be presented to the supervisors on May 21. It was also noted the May 27 is the last day the Department of Ecology will be taking comments on the draft SEPA EIS.

John noted there are two fundamental concerns about the EIS and that is climate change and assumptions made.

The impacts from climate change and the project are conflated and reported as a single impact. The worst case assumptions are not realistic as they do not reflect best management practices or current permitting agency requirements.

Further discussion was held.

Betsy presented a Powerpoint and discussed the contents of the comment package that will be presented to the supervisors. (SEE ATTACHED)

Some of the technical comments include:

- Clarifying that models are predictions and not facts, and add discussion surrounding model error and confidence limits.
- Removing the "significant impact" finding for environmental health as dam failure is so unlikely (1 in 2.5 billion) that a significant finding is not warranted.
- The EIS needs to include an equitable analysis of all alternatives (local actions and no action).

She also discussed some of the technical attachments that would be included in the package.

- Memorandum of questions and answers prepared by the Office of the Chehalis Basin
- Inundation analysis

Discussion was held regarding fish counts.

Bill made a motion to recommend moving the draft response letter to the supervisors. Dave seconded the motion. Motion approved.

#### **IV. .09 Funding**

Erik discussed .09 funding which is a sales and use tax to be used to finance public facilities serving economic development purposes in rural counties. The district applied for funding in the amount of \$750k and the board of county commissioners should be approving the resolution in a couple of weeks.

#### **V. Good of the Order**

No comments.

#### **VI. Adjournment**

Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason seconded the motion. Meeting ended at 9:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lara McRea  
Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors