

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015

REBUILD BY DESIGN

■ RESIST ■ DELAY ■ STORE ■ DISCHARGE ■

HUDSON RIVER

Hoboken

Weehawken

Jersey City

New Jersey

PRESENTED TO THE CITIZEN ADVISORY GROUP

AGENDA

1. HOUSEKEEPING – CAG PROTOCOL

2. PURPOSE AND NEED

- Summary of Purpose and Need meeting and results
- Handouts overview

3. OVERVIEW OF SCOPING PROCESS

- What is the Scoping Document
 - The Study Area
 - Technical Studies/Methodologies
- Scoping meeting

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND EXPECTATIONS

5. WORKSTATION BREAK-OUT

6. NEXT STEPS

- Upcoming critical dates

MEETING FORMAT

HOUSEKEEPING ----- 10 MIN

DISCUSSION ON PURPOSE AND NEED ----- 5 MIN

SCOPING DOCUMENT ----- 10 MIN

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND EXPECTATIONS ----- 10 MIN

WORKSTATIONS BREAK-OUT ----- 60 MIN

CLOSE-OUT ----- 15 MIN

HOUSEKEEPING

■ CAG COMMUNICATION FRAMEWORK

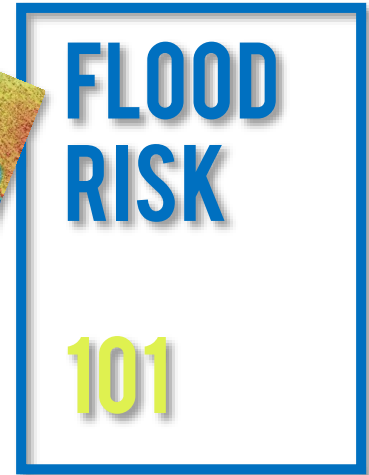
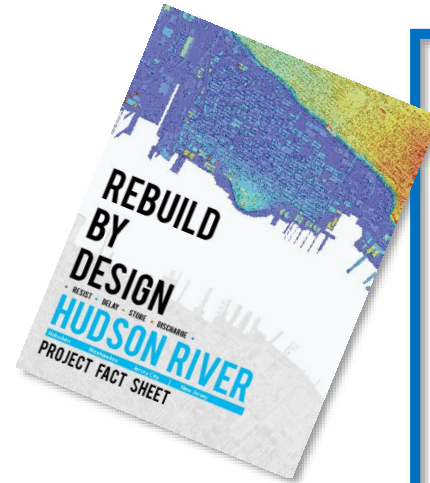
- 2 DAYS prior to CAG meeting:
 - Provide agenda
 - Other information regarding meeting content
- 1 DAY after CAG meeting:
 - All material provided at meeting distributed
- 5 DAYS after CAG meeting:
 - Distribution of meeting summary
- 10 DAYS after CAG meeting:
 - CAG comments on meeting summary
- 2 Days prior to CAG meeting:
 - Finalize meeting summary

PURPOSE AND NEED SESSION FEEDBACK

- **INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS CAG MEETING**
- **IMPORTANT FEEDBACK ON PURPOSE AND NEED PROVIDED BY CAG MEMBERS**
- **DISTILLED FEEDBACK INTO SUCCINCT PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT**
- **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**
- **PURPOSE AND NEED IS NOW CORNERSTONE OF THE DRAFT SCOPING DOCUMENT**

HANDOUTS OVERVIEW

- AUGUST CAG MEETING SUMMARY
- DRAFT FACT SHEET
- PURPOSE AND NEED PRINT OUT
- DRAFT FLOODRISK 101
- SECTION 106 (CULTURAL RESOURCES/PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT)



SCOPING PROCESS

- PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) AND MAKE SCOPING DOCUMENT PUBLICLY AVAILABLE
- HOLD PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
- OVERALL 30 DAYS OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE SCOPING DOCUMENT FROM THE DATE OF THE NOI PUBLICATION
 - Comments received by email, fax, mail, hand written, oral
- PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC AND REGULATORY AGENCIES
- INCORPORATE SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS INTO THE FINAL SCOPING DOCUMENT AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY



WHAT IS THE SCOPING DOCUMENT?

- **PROVIDES OVERALL LAYOUT AND FRAMEWORK FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**
- **DEFINES**
 - Project scope
 - Study Area
 - Technical Study methodologies by discipline
- **DESCRIBES TECHNICAL APPROACH**
 - Concept development, concept screening, alternative analysis, and selection of Preferred Alternative
- **DISCUSSES INTEGRATION OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT INTO PROJECT DEVELOPMENT**

SCOPING DOCUMENT – TECHNICAL STUDIES

- IDENTIFIES THE METHODOLOGY OF THE TECHNICAL STUDIES FOR THE DISCIPLINES WITHIN THE EIS

- VARIOUS TECHNICAL DISCIPLINES INCLUDE:
 - Air Quality/Noise/Vibration
 - Hazardous Waste
 - Cultural Resources/Section 106
 - Archaeological
 - Architectural
 - Natural Ecosystem
 - Cumulative Impacts
 - Socioeconomics/Land Use/Zoning/EJ/Visual/Aesthetic Resources
 - Infrastructure
 - Structures
 - Utilities
 - Circulation
 - Sustainability

SCOPING MEETING

- **SEPTEMBER 24**
- **HOPING FOR GOOD ATTENDANCE**
- **PUBLIC ATTENDING WILL BE FAIRLY WELL INFORMED**
- **PROVIDES A FRAMEWORK FOR PARTICIPATION**
- **CONSTRUCTIVE FEEDBACK**
- **MINIMIZE SURPRISES AND FACILITATES INTERACTION**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND EXPECTATIONS

■ HOW DO WE REACHOUT TO THE PUBLIC?

- Community Outreach Plan
- Posting information on the Project website: www.RBD-hudsonriver.nj.gov
- Listserve email notices
- Share information directly with towns
 - Social media/website
- Flyers - public places in communities
- Local newspapers

■ CAG ROLE

- Share this information
- Local community meetings
- Encourage people to review material and participate
- Be project advocates
- Translate between project team and public
- Contact Project Team: rbdh_regionalcag@dep.nj.gov

WORK STATIONS

- **STATION 1: FLOODRISK 101**
- **STATION 2: OVERVIEW OF PROJECT BACKGROUND/NEPA/PURPOSE AND NEED**
- **STATION 3: INFRASTRUCTURE/CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT/AA PROCESS**
- **STATION 4: AIR QUALITY/NOISE/VIBRATION**
- **STATION 5: HAZWASTE**
- **STATION 6: CULTURAL RESOURCES/SECTION 106**
- **SECTION 7: NATURAL ECOSYSTEM**
- **STATION 8: SOCIOECONOMICS/LANDUSE/ZONING/EJ/VISUAL**

STATION RULES

- 60 MINUTE SESSION
- ASK QUESTIONS
- VISIT WITH EXPERTS
- UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS INVOLVED
- MOVE ON TO NEXT STATION
- HOW CAN YOU USE THIS INFORMATION TO COMMUNICATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT TO THE PUBLIC?



BREAK FOR WORKSTATIONS

MOVING FORWARD

- REVIEW OF WHAT WE LEARNED TODAY
- WHAT TO DO BETWEEN NOW AND SEPTEMBER 24?
- HOW CAN WE HELP THE PROJECT AND THE PUBLIC?



UPCOMING CRITICAL DATES/NEXT STEPS

- **SEPTEMBER 4 – PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT**
- **SEPTEMBER 24 – PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING**
- **OCTOBER 9 – CLOSING OF PUBLIC SCOPING COMMENT PERIOD**
- **EARLY OCTOBER – INCORPORATE SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS INTO FINAL SCOPING DOCUMENT**
- **OCTOBER 8 – NEXT CAG MEETING DATE**
- **MID-OCTOBER – FINALIZE SCOPING DOCUMENT**
- **NOVEMBER – PUBLIC MEETING CONCEPT SCREENING**





UPCOMING CRITICAL DATES

9/24

September 24 Scoping Public Meeting

The Scoping Public Meeting will be held on this date. This meeting will be held to receive community feedback on the Draft Scoping Document. The comments will be incorporated into a final document, which will be made publicly available after the conclusion of the 30 day comment period.



10/8

October 8 Next CAG Meeting

11/11

November 11 Public Concept Screening Meeting

A public meeting will be held to discuss the screening of the project's concepts. This meeting will assist in the recommendation of the project's Build Alternatives, which will then be further studies in the EIS. The meeting time and location will be posted in local newspapers and community spaces at least 15 days prior to the meeting.





**HAVE
A GREAT
NIGHT!!!**

