



GLEN HAVEN AREA PRELIMINARY FLOODPLAIN STUDY INFORMATION

April 1, 2015

Thank you for attending today's open house. We appreciate your time and interest in learning about the results of the preliminary floodplain study for the Glen Haven area. The release of preliminary data and information is intended to help community officials and property owners make informed decisions regarding flood risk.

The following summarizes the purpose and results of the Glen Haven floodplain study, explains how this information can be used, and describes the next steps in the floodplain mapping process.

Summary:

The 2013 Flood had a significant impact on floodplains in the Glen Haven area. As a result, Larimer County contracted Anderson Consulting Engineers, Inc. to perform a hydrologic and hydraulic analysis on three stream reaches in the Glen Haven area: North Fork Big Thompson River, West Creek and Fox Creek. The results of their analysis are presented here today and will be made available on the Engineering Department's website at <http://larimer.org/engineering/>.

Utilizing Preliminary Information:

The results of the Glen Haven area preliminary floodplain study are intended to help community officials and property owners make informed decisions regarding flood risk.

Preliminary information *CAN* be used to:

- Identify how map changes may affect property owners before the maps undergo the FEMA map adoption process.
- Meet Hydraulic Capacity and Freeboard Design Criteria for stream crossings.
- Meet Stabilization and Scour Design Criteria for stream crossings.
- Plan for long term resiliency in Larimer County.

Preliminary information *CANNOT* be used to:

- Rate flood insurance policies or enforce the federal mandatory purchase requirement.
- Meet "No-Rise" Criteria for stream crossings.

Next Steps for Floodplain Mapping:

Larimer County welcomes your feedback! Please take this opportunity to review the preliminary floodplain maps. If you have any questions, please contact the Engineering Department. Larimer County will use your input as the County continues to work with Anderson Consulting Engineers, Inc. to refine the floodplain boundaries and to develop the floodway boundaries.

At some point in the future, the preliminary floodplain information will be submitted to FEMA. Depending on timing, this will occur either when a project utilizing the data is submitted to FEMA for a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) or when FEMA initiates a floodplain mapping update.

Larimer County will continue to use the best data and information available when making decisions and for rebuilding and long term planning. Larimer County will also strive to keep citizens informed as this process continues to move forward by sharing new or updated information as it becomes available.

How to Provide Input or Contact Us:

We appreciate your input! We hope you'll fill out a comment sheet and return it to us with your thoughts and comments. Sheets can be left in the comments box today, emailed to tshambo@larimer.org, or mailed to Larimer County Engineering (Attn:Traci Shambo), P.O. Box 1190, Fort Collins, CO 80522-1190.