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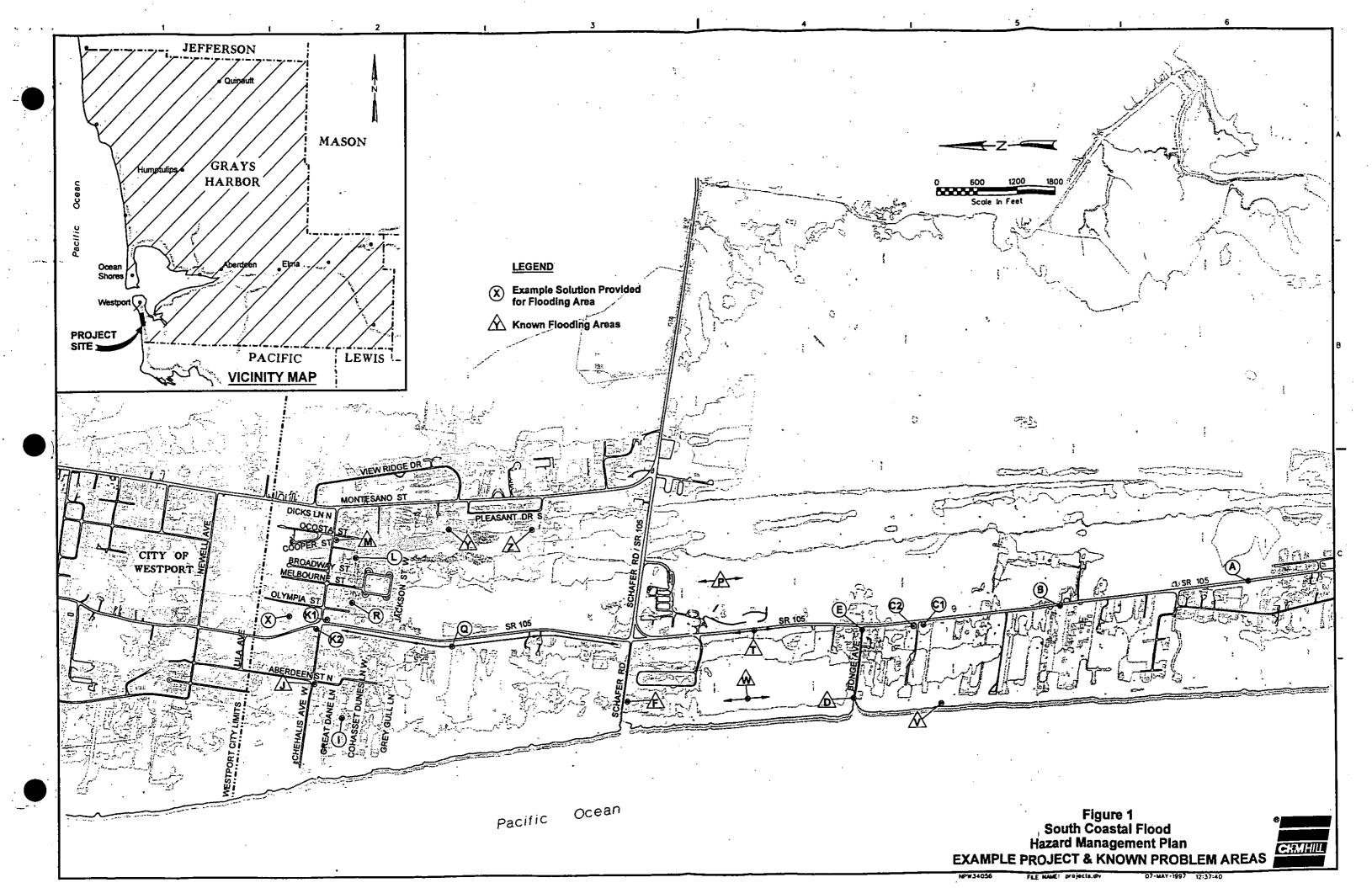
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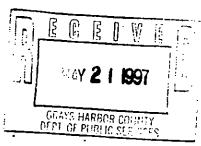
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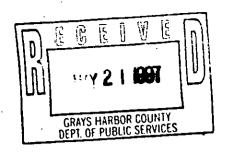
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Paul&Susan Kennedy 10712 SE 30th St. Beaux Arts, Wa. 98004 May 17, 1997

Lee Hansmann,

This letter is in response to the flooding problems in the South Beach area. Our legal property address is: Tax 51, Gov. Lot 4, Sec. 13, TWN. 16 N., Range 12 W.W.M. Westport, Wa. 98595. At this time there is no structure on the property.

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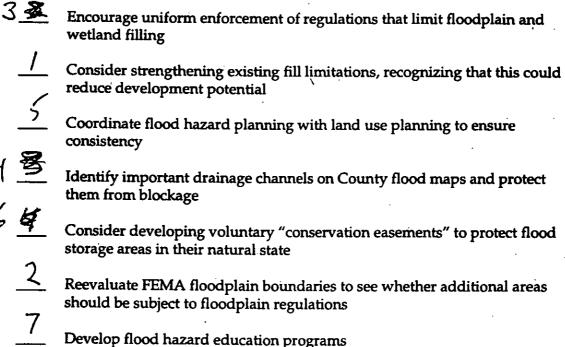
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The area between the barrier dune and the secondary dune from Twin harbors Park access and Westport city limits is flooded in the winter and much of that land is designated as wetland. Still, Grays Harbor County issues permits to fill those wetlands for access roads to the barrier dune. This blocks the natural flow of water and causes more flooding.

It appears that whomever is responsible for inspecting work done after the permit is issued has neglected to insure that proper procedures were followed.

Unless the County enforces it's <u>own</u> regulations, the only result will be continuing and serious problems for the future which will cost the taxpayer much more money than simple inspections at the onset! Let your building inspector take a trip along Spur 105 from Westport south to the Pacific County line, regulations in hand, and he or she will notice all kinds of violations which go on unchecked.

There are so-called "drainage" ditches on both sides of Spur 105, but they don't drain anything. There are no culverts under many driveways and some that are there have been abandoned so the water simply backs up onto personal property.

Meetings don't solve problems. Practical solutions and assurance that regulations imposed by the County are met do.

	EXAMPLE SOLUTION	SUMMARY		
Site ID & Options	Description	Total Cost	Cost per Homeowner per Year (for 10 yrs) (Notes 2 & 3)	# affected homes (4)
ABCE-1	Raise road at A, B, C1, C2, and E	\$40 - 45,000 (1)	\$10 - 13	940
ABCE-2	Clean existing ditch from A to the south. Construct new ditch/culvert system to take runoff from B, C, E north along SR105 and east along Shafter/SR105 to tide gates	\$225 - 240,000 (1)	\$39 - 44	940
I-1	Construct ditch/culvert system throughout Cohasset Dunes area, pump water to the ocean	\$75 - \$80,000	\$565 - 715	25
I-2	Raise roads and several private drives in Cohasset Dunes Area (Property flooding will still occur)	\$60 - 65,000	\$475 - 625	25
K1/K2 - 1	Improve existing intermittent ditch system and construct new channel & culverts where necessary (route water to main drainage channel)	\$12 -17,000	\$5-9	940
K1/K2 - 2	Same as above, but slightly different path to main channel	\$10 - 13,000	\$5-8	940
L-1 (a)	Build 2.5' high berm around private property at 233 Chehalis, and install sump pump	\$18 - 22,000	\$2,600 - 3,300 (ULID costs are not? applicable)	1
L-1 (b)	Same as above, but also improve channel downstream of property to Cohasset Lake	\$20 - 25,000	\$400 - 650	15
L-1 (c)	Same as (a) and (b), but also improve culverts to Cohasset Lake	\$40 - 45,000	\$600 - 850	.15
L-2	Raise house at 233 Chehalis	\$20 - 25,000	\$3,000 - 3,700 (ULID costs are not applicable)	1
Q-1	Construct ditch and culvert system to convey water to main drainage channel	\$22 - 25,000	\$7 - 10	940
Q-2	Raise road at flooding areas	Similar to Alternat	ive ABCE-1	
R-1 (a)	Build 1' high berm around both sides of channel. (Protects properties at 1814 Olympia and neighbor without moving flooding to trailer park)	\$15 - 20,000	\$1,100 - 1,500	2
R-1 (b)	Same as above, but also improve channel downstream of properties to Cohasset Lake	\$20 - 25,000	\$400 - 650	15
R-1 (c)	Same as (a) and (b), but also improve culverts to Cohasset Lake	\$40 - 45,000	\$600 - 850	15
R-2	Raise houses at 1814 Olympia and neighbor	\$30 - 35,000	\$2,700 -2600 (ULID costs are not applicable)	2
X-1 X-2	Clean and re-vegetate Apple Maggot Ditch	\$8 - 10,000	\$420 - 750	10 (5)
X-2	Widen and re-vegetate Apple Maggot Ditch	\$5 - 7,000	\$375 - 700	10 (5)



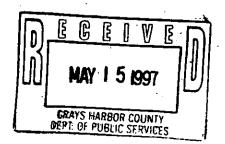
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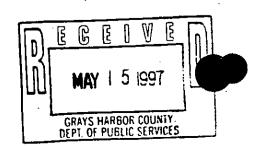
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I attended the last two meetings in Westport.

At the last meeting on March 26th, Westport's Public Works Director, Fred Chapman, stated that the main drainage channel was already at full capacity and they could not handle any more water. In order to implement some of your proposed solutions, we need to find another way of draining the water from the flooded areas we want to fix.

Also, I am opposed to raising any of the highways to solve the flooding. We must find another way because raising the highway only displaces the water to the properties on either side of the roads. Where does the water drain to? It will only impact the land of the property owners adjacent to the roads.

What Are Your Priorities for South Beach Flood Hazard Management Planning?

We want your feedback...

Over the last several months, Grays Harbor County has held a series of meetings at Westport City Hall to discuss flooding problems in the South Beach area and possible ways to alleviate some of the problems. Many residents turned out for the meetings and identified a number of flooding problems and related issues. Everyone who attended one of the meetings has been sent this flyer, which is also available by request from the County.

With your input from the meetings, the County is currently preparing a Flood Hazard Management Plan (FHMP) for the South Beach area, funded in part by a grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology. As part of that planning process, solutions to flooding problems are being identified and prioritized. At the last public meeting on March 26, a number of example solutions were presented, including both engineering options (such as creation or improvement of drainage channels) and policy options (such as the limitation of filling in flood plains and wetlands). The plan adopted by the County will include both types of options.

Based on what we know now, the County has prepared a list of engineering and policy solutions for potential funding. The survey following the project descriptions lists these solutions and includes a number of questions on your preferences and priorities for preferred solutions, funding options, and the overall flood hazard management planning process. The results will be used in developing the draft FHMP, which will be mailed to you around the end of May.

We need your feedback to ensure that the solutions and priorities accurately reflect your concerns. Please provide your comments by May 16, 1997, to Lee Hansmann at the Grays Harbor County Department of Public Works (1-800-230-1638), or mail them to P.O. Box 511, Montesano, WA 98563-0511.

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Thank you for your participation!

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