Flood Smart Communities

Hilton Fire Hall, 120 Old Hojack Lane, Hilton, NY
Situation Analysis Agenda - Nov 12, 2014, 9:45 - 12:30

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Attendees

Local Government Representatives:
Scott Copey, Planner
Paul Czapranski, Technical Services Coordinator
John Gauthier, Engineer and MS4 permit manager
Mike Lissow, Code Enforcement Officer, Building Inspector and Fire Marshall
Mike McHenry, Public Works Superintendent
Dennis Scibetta, Building and Development Coordinator
Andy Sansone, Senior Industrial Waste Technician
Jack Barton, Retired Code Enforcement Officer

Project Team:
Jayme Thomann, Planner, G/FLRPC
Kate Friedman, Researcher on Policy & Inter-municipal Collaboration, University of Buffalo
Mike Petroni, Grad Student, SUNY ESF
Katie Lenkiewicz, Grad Student, SUNY ESF
Stevie Adams, Freshwater Conservation Practitioner, TNC

Kristin France, TNC, Facilitator

Desired meeting outcomes

- A clear and shared understanding about what the project will address, and what it will not
- A conceptual diagram, or map of relationships, that
    - gives all of us a shared picture of what is happening with flooding in these communities
    - provides a useful starting point for defining the problem with the larger group
    - helps the project team begin a stakeholder analysis
    - will be used in future steps to identify what can be done to reduce the negative impacts of flooding in these communities
- Preliminary ideas for preparation for the larger group meeting that will define the problem
- Preliminary look at what data are relevant to the communities for future community study

Schedule and Activities

9:45   Arrival – check in, refreshments, map your flooding

10:00   Introductions

10:10   Review desired outcomes, process for the meeting, and ground rules

10:20   Characterize flooding – what does flooding look like in your communities

10:40   Begin to identify the **effects**/impacts of flooding - Think of this as "why" we care about flooding. These are what we might study or measure to inform the development of recommendations, prioritize those recommendations, and eventually measure their success. This will also help us identify stakeholders that need to be involved in our project.

11:20   Identify the **causes** of flooding for your communities – The causes of flooding are generally the things communities can do something about to alleviate the effects. The recommendations generated by this project will mainly address the causes.

12:15   Quick review of how we did in achieving our desired outcomes. Discuss next steps and how the map of relationships we've created will be used in future steps.

12:30   Adjourn