

Board of Supervisors Status Report

Lower Green River: Flood Hazard Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS)

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Geographic Study Area

River miles 11 – 32

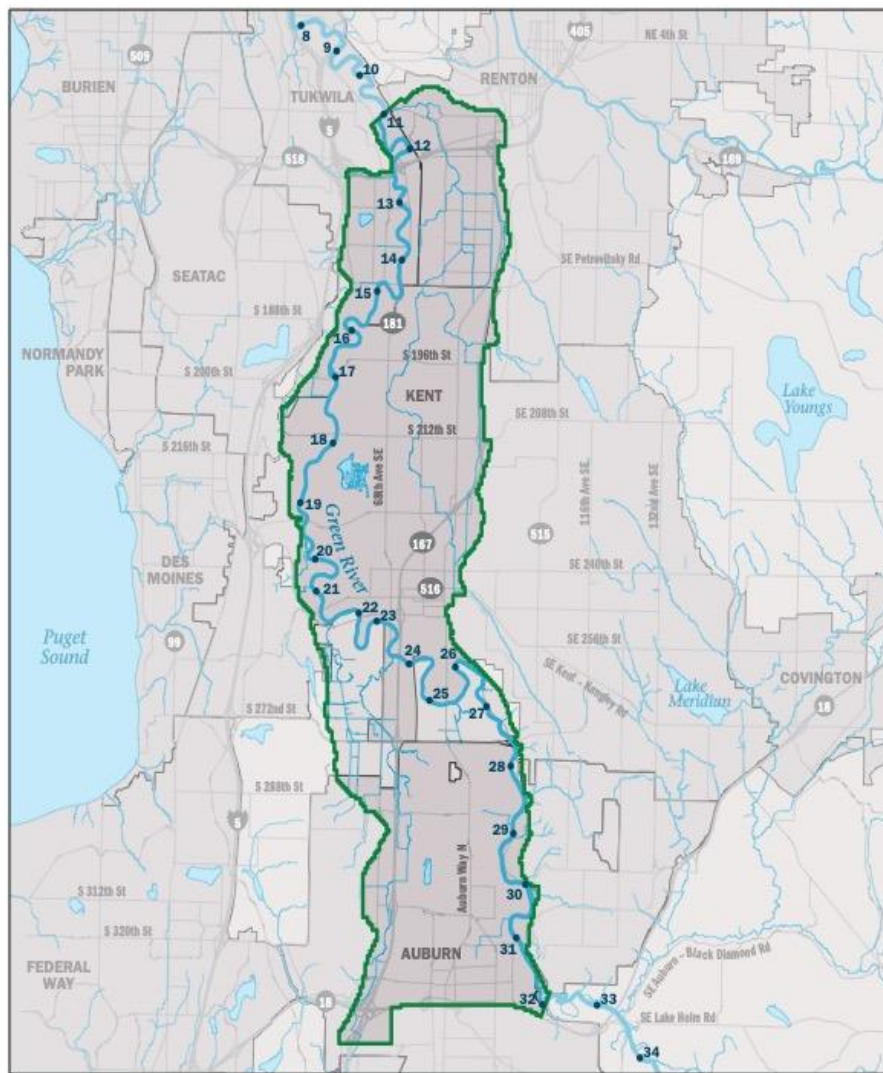
Renton

Tukwila

Kent

Auburn

Unincorporated King County



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Proposal Area

- Proposal Area
- 30 River Mile
- Green River
- City Area



September 2018



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Data: King County GIS File: 100117_201801_green_rtr_en_map2.tif

Scoping Report and Comments

Scoping Period: November 2018 – May 2019

Outreach Methods

Website, ads, legal notices, media releases, postcards (27K), roundtables, presentations, emails, calls, comment forms, public testimony, public meeting

Comments

632 comments (581 identical emails)

51 unique comments

24 from public

27 from agencies, jurisdictions, Tribes, business, and nongovernmental agencies

Themes

Natural environment: climate change, habitat, fish passage, surface water, floods

Built environment: health, shoreline use, transportation, public services

Equity and Social Justice

Alternatives: multi-benefit option

Recent Work

- Established Executive Steering Committee
- Analyzed approach for multi-benefits
- Updated hydraulic model
- Drafted technical methods for impact analysis
- Drafted affected environment reports
 - Water Quality
 - Aquatic Resources
 - Land Use Plans and Policies
 - Housing
 - Population and Demographics
 - Social Resources
 - Employment and Business
 - Agriculture
 - Public Services
 - Infrastructure – Transportation and Utilities
 - Cultural Resources



Executive Steering Committee

Purpose: Through collaborative engagement provide insight and a shared vision to assist the leadership of the King County Flood Control District.

Assist by identifying and providing feedback on flood management solutions that achieve multiple benefits, including but not limited to, flood risk reduction and protection for people and property, salmon recovery and habitat restoration that honors tribal and treaty reserved rights, recreational and open space opportunities, and equity and environmental justice.

Work collaboratively to identify investments in multiple benefits and values for the District's efforts, including environmental review under the State Environmental Policy Act and analysis of proposed flood reduction and safety projects.

Provide input to District leadership on the development for the Lower Green River Flood Hazard Management Plan (Plan) and programmatic environmental impact statement review.

Next Steps

- SEPA official sets alternatives to analyzed
- Consider re-opening scoping with public engagement
- Analyze impacts of alternatives
- Continue engagement with Executive Steering Committee, stakeholders, Tribes, and ESJ
- Publish Draft EIS
- Conduct Draft PEIS public comment
- Work with SEPA Official to draft Final PEIS
- Board adopts Lower Green River Corridor Flood Hazard Management Plan
- Board determines funding and implementation of Plan

Questions?

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