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Floodplain Mapping Project public meeting on segments of St. Vrain Creek in unincorporated Boulder County

Presentation followed by hands-on map review with state and county staff

Boulder County, Colo. – Boulder County Transportation and the State of Colorado will host a public meeting to present recently updated draft floodplain maps from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Colorado Hazard Mapping Program (CHAMP). This initial meeting will review map information for North and South St. Vrain creeks and St. Vrain Creek from Longmont Dam Road and Red Gulch Road to Lyons and from Lyons east toward Airport Road in unincorporated Boulder County. Residents along these creek stretches and other interested parties are invited to attend a public presentation that will be followed by an interactive map review session with state and county staff.

**Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2016
6 to 8 p.m.
The River Church
18668 N. St. Vrain Rd., Lyons, CO 80540**

Boulder County and CHAMP staff will answer questions and gather feedback from meeting attendees. Boulder County wants the draft maps to accurately reflect local flood risk, which is why residents living along these creeks are encouraged to be involved and provide input at this stage. Comments gathered will be evaluated and provided to the state team for their consideration during their next round of floodplain modeling.

CHAMP was established by the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) after the 2013 flood event to enable the state to take steps toward long-term planning and resiliency efforts for flooding and other natural hazards like erosion and debris flows. More information on updates to these draft maps is available at www.ColoradoHazardMapping.com.

The draft floodplain maps for these stretches of creek are available at the [county's Floodplain Remapping Website](#) where you can also learn more about purchasing flood insurance, the county's outreach efforts, and how you can get involved. Boulder County will host additional meetings for review of maps in other unincorporated areas in early 2017. These meetings will be announced as they are scheduled on the county website, the county calendar, in newsletters, via the listserv, social media (Facebook and Twitter), and through the various Watershed Coalitions.

For more information on the event, contact Andrew Barth, Boulder County Transportation Department, via email at abarth@bouldercounty.org or call 303-441-1032.

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