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Stormwater Improvement Plan progress to be presented at public meeting

HARRISONBURG, Va. – After seeking input from the public through a survey and open house event, project consultants and the Harrisonburg Public Works stormwater team will soon host a public meeting to communicate progress on Harrisonburg's Stormwater Improvement Plan (SWIP).

The public is invited to an in-person public meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29, at the Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center, 620 Simms Ave. There will be two opportunities to attend, with presentations taking place at 5 and 6 p.m.

Public meeting attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Review information gathered from the recent SWIP public survey and open house event
- Learn about current stormwater conditions and plans for the future
- Hear about preliminary SWIP results and potential stormwater treatment locations
- View educational materials
- Ask questions

The Harrisonburg Public Works Stormwater team has worked collaboratively with SWIP project consultants, Tetra Tech, collecting data on potential future Stormwater Best Management Practices to address water quality. The Stormwater Improvement Plan is intended to be a guide to help City staff reach 2028 pollution reduction requirements set by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Previous efforts for the SWIP process have included an anonymous public survey asking the community about their experiences with flooding around their homes or

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Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 5 pm and 6 pm

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- Ask questions!

Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center at
620 Simms Avenue, Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Two sessions! 1st session at 5 pm and the 2nd session at 6 pm

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neighborhoods. It also asked participants to provide feedback on potential stormwater improvement project locations, prioritize initiatives and address concerns related to water quality, water quantity and climate change impacts. The City then hosted an open house as an additional opportunity to learn from the community's experiences to better inform the plan and its priorities.

“After the release of the public survey and open house, we are excited to invite the community to learn more about the information that has been collected,” Harrisonburg Sustainability and Environmental Manager Keith Thomas said. “We are eager to take the next step in the SWIP project process by presenting proposed stormwater plans and treatment recommendations.”

Interpretation services will be available at the public meeting in Spanish, Arabic and Kurdish. Call the stormwater team at 540-434-5928 or email stormwater@harrisonburgva.gov for questions or to request interpretation services beyond Spanish, Arabic and Kurdish. More information about the SWIP and updates may be found online at www.harrisonburgva.gov/stormwater-improvement-plan.

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