September 1, 2026

Project Name: Northeast North Drainage Improvement Study
RE: Notice of Open House – Existing Conditions and Input on Study

Dear Property Owner or Resident:

The City's Drainage Improvement Program allows property owners and residents to request evaluation of flooding and drainage concerns. Residents in the neighborhood applied due to deteriorating pipes, lack of infrastructure, and recurring water impacts to their properties.

As part of these efforts, the City has retained Wetlands Studies and Solutions, Inc. (WSSI) to investigate the adequacy of existing stormwater infrastructure in the neighborhood and the feasibility of adding additional stormwater infrastructure or alternative routing to convey water in a manner that reduces flooding frequency and severity. The project will also explore potential water quality improvements, including Green Infrastructure.

This past fall, WSSI's team conducted field measurements and developed an existing conditions model. Based on those measurements, the model illustrates how water moves through the area and the impacts during flood events. We invite you to attend an open house to help guide the next steps in the study. At the event, staff will be available to share information about the existing conditions model, gather feedback from residents, and discuss plans for the project.

If you have questions, please contact stormwater@harrisonburgva.gov or call (540) 434-5928.

Open House Details

Date: September 30, 2026
Time: 4:30pm to 7:00pm
Location: Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center (620 Simms Ave, Harrisonburg, VA 22802)

Thank you in advance for your time.

Sincerely,

Keith Thomas
Sustainability & Environmental Manager