

KITTITAS COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE:	November 17, 2015
ACTION REQUESTED:	Set a public hearing to take place on December 1, 2015 to consider adopting the Yakima River Corridor Plan.

BACKGROUND:	<p>The Yakima River Corridor Plan was completed in September 2015. The plan, funded by the Flood Control Zone District and the Salmon Recovery Funding Board, assessed the reach of the Yakima River from Hansen Pits to Ringer Loop Road.</p> <p>The plan was developed by consultants Watershed Science and Engineering and Hererra. A technical advisory committee and landowner committee were formed and met throughout the planning process.</p> <p>The plan identifies priority locations within the project reach for improvements to habitat and reduction in flood hazards. The final plan details the criteria and methodology used to determine the priority projects.</p> <p>Many grant applications require the applicant to demonstrate the project development has gone through a public process. In addition to the citizen participation during the planning process, adoption by the BOCC will help to demonstrate the public process.</p>
INTERACTION:	Public Works
RECOMMENDATION:	Set a Public Hearing.
HANDLING:	Return one signed copy to Public Works
ATTACHMENTS:	Notice of Public Hearing and Draft Yakima River Corridor Plan
LEAD STAFF:	Mark Cook Public Works Director