

NOTIFICATION REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND MEETINGS FOR THE RAHWAY RIVER BASIN, NEW JERSEY FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY

The City of Orange Township is notifying interested residents, business owners and taxpayers about the Rahway River Basin, New Jersey Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study conducted by the United States Army Corps (Corps) of Engineers and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). The purpose of the study is to address flooding within the Rahway River Basin. A draft report on the study is now complete. The public comment period that was initiated on December 9, 2016 will be extended to February 7, 2017.

The Draft Integrated Feasibility Report (DIFR) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and instructions for submitting written and email comments are available at:
www.nan.usace.army.mil/Rahway

As part of the study, the Corps has completed an alternatives analyses that has identified a Tentatively Selected Plan (TSP) that is believed will provide flood risk management to the Townships of Cranford, Springfield, and Millburn as well as the City of Rahway. The TSP consists of Cranford Alternative 4a, which includes channel improvements in Cranford *and modification to the Orange Reservoir dam spillway* in West Orange; and Alternative 2a, which is a nonstructural plan, in the 10-year floodplain for the Robinson's Branch in the City of Rahway.

The City of Orange Township has not endorsed or made any commitments/agreements regarding the Tentatively Selected Plan referenced in the report. The City is posting this information on its website to keep people informed.

Please note that the Corps will be hosting a public meeting to discuss the report.

The meeting will be held:

Thursday, January 26

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Orange City Hall, 4th Floor Council Chambers

29 North Day Street

Orange, New Jersey 07050

General questions regarding the Rahway River Basin Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study can be directed to Ms. Rifat Salim, Project Manager, Rifat.Salim@usace.army.mil, 917-790-8215.