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## It's All About the Master Plan

The first step to rebuilding our Community is to develop a Stream Corridor Master Plan (SCMP).

It was obvious during the Design Charette and our Community Meetings that our Community shares a vision and that it's important to us that we go through this process together as a Community.

The objectives of the SCMP are:

- To involve the Jamestown Community in the development of the Master Plan

## Rebuild Jamestown Community Meeting Schedule:

Mon., Dec. 9, 5:30

Tues., Dec. 17, 5:30

Boulder County Courthouse,  
Commissioners Chambers  
3rd Floor  
1325 Pearl Street, Boulder

Tues., Jan. 6, 7:00  
Location TBD

- Allow for as many rebuildable lots as possible by Spring 2014
- Design natural stream morphology into the Creek
- Improve stream and floodplain capacity and morphology
- Recommendations to revise Town ordinances

On December 3, AMEC presented the process they'll go through in partnership with our Community and the Planning Group that consists of the Board appointed Advisory Committee, FEMA, the Division of Local Affairs (DOLA), American Planning Association of Colorado, Urban Land Use Institute, Colorado Bar Association. In addition to this, they will ensure that everything we do is reviewed and approved by all interested external entities, such as Boulder County, Colorado Water Conservation Board, Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Army Corps of Engineers. The entire planning group will meet every Monday until the SCMP is complete.

The process:

- **Assessing the watershed.** Using maps, field surveys, pebble counts and assessment, AMEC will analyze the Jamestown watershed pre- and post-flood to understand the changes that occurred during the flooding.
- **Learning from history.** AMEC and the Planning Group will research the history of flooding in the Jamestown watershed to identify lessons we can incorporate into our Rebuilding effort.
- **Determining the placement of the creek.** Private property owners and the Community will evaluate alternatives for the placement of James Creek based on an informed hydrologic assessment process by AMEC and recommendations by planners to determine a channel alignment that will resist future floods and most closely represents our Community's vision.
- **Redefining the flood plain.** Once the Town has selected its preferred alternative, AMEC will develop the

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## Road Update

Construction is underway on James Canyon Drive for the "winter road". Boulder County estimates work will continue for up to 60 days. To avoid disruption, please honor all roadway signs and designated hours for travel - 7:30am-8:30am and 6:30pm-7:30pm.

Permits for access may be acquired at Town Hall and at the Boulder County Sheriff's Headquarters at 5600 Flatirons. Permits are for Jamestown residents only.

## Water Plant Update

The Water Plant is still closed. We will be removing the sand and winterizing the plant soon while we redevelop a water source, at which time we will begin redeveloping the bio matter in the sand filter media.

## Unmet Needs?

Do you need an advocate or maybe just a list of

technical specifications required to establish the 100-year flood plain. AMEC will submit, on behalf of the Town, a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) to FEMA.

- **Reviewing our ordinances.** The Planning Group will review the Town's building ordinances and our IGA with Boulder County for building permits to ensure they are up to date and in alignment with the Community's vision. If there are opportunities or ideas that may help our Community, they may make recommendations for new or updated ordinances.
- **Determining which sites are rebuildable.** Once the placement of James Creek, tributaries and the flood plain is decided, the engineers and planners will evaluate each impacted lot to determine whether it is safe to rebuild in the 100-year flood plain or hazardous location. The Planning Group will help identify potential options for impacted property owners.

The goal is to complete the SCMP by January 23, 2014, with enough detail for rebuilding that the Jamestown Town Board can then lift the moratorium on building permits. This date is incredibly important so our Community members can begin planning how they will rebuild and come home!

Community input is vital for the success of the SCMP process! Residents are invited to participate in the process at upcoming Rebuild Jamestown Community Meetings.

resources? Please call  
Jamestown Community  
Advocate Rebecca  
Lawrence at Town Hall:  
303-586-2769.

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### Flood Debris?



Boulder County's  
Curbside flood debris  
removal is still underway.  
Trucks will soon be  
moving up and down  
Ward St., as well as  
Lower Main.

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### Need a Volunteer?



Do you need help  
removing debris or with  
interior repairs? Work on  
your interior? **Please**

## Every Hour Counts!

Did you know that



every volunteer hour can go directly to help the Town pay for our cost share? In other words, if you put in an hour of volunteer work in any capacity in Jamestown, that hour will translate to dollars that will help the Town pay for our local cost share.

These volunteer hours are reimbursed and can be applied towards the 25% cost share for FEMA Category A (debris removal) and Category B (emergency response) projects and for the NRCS Emergency Watershed Program projects.

We can only use your hours if you report them to the Town Hall.

You can still do this! Did you help a neighbor chuck rocks? Dig out a path to the door? Tear out drywall and insulation? Answer phones in the office? Chances are, that work is eligible to help pay for the 25% cost share. Please either stop in to Town Hall or call [303-586-2769](tel:303-586-2769) to find out how to report those hours. **Joplin, MO paid for \$17 million of its recovery costs after the tornado JUST through logged volunteer hours!** We want Jamestown to have a similar success story.

## Partners Working to Develop the Stream Corridor Master Plan

Boulder-based **AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.**, **FEMA**, the **Division of Local Affairs (DOLA)**, **American Planning Association of Colorado**, **Urban Land Use Institute**, **Colorado**

**stop by Town Hall to fill out a Work Order!** We continue to have volunteer crews in town for exactly this purpose. Help is on the way--we want to know what help people need. If you have any questions please call Jamestown Volunteers and Donations Coordinator Nina Andaloro at Town Hall. [303-586-2769](tel:303-586-2769)

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A volunteer, Board appointed **Community Advisory Committee** consists of five Jamestown residents: Michelle Durant, Ken Lenarcic, Roger Loving, Jyoti Sharp and Mark Williams will work with AMEC to provide guidance and represent the community vision. Committee members were appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Board at the Nov. 19 board meeting. This committee has no decision-making or spending authority.

is happy to be supporting this newsletter as a way to help Jamestown (our home town and community) rebuild.

## Flood Facts



- \$680 M on recovery efforts
- \$450M on state highways
- \$56M on individual assistance (Deadline was Dec 2) 16,118 individuals approved - 28,000 applied. The Extension of Appeals has been moved to December 14th.
- \$15 M Red Cross
- \$6.4M - United Way
- \$81M loaned by SBA

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