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IMPORTANT PUBLIC (VIRTUAL) WORKSHOPS COMING SOON!!! Climate Adaptation Plan Community Discussion Sessions YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT!!!

- **Shoreline Concepts Workshop**
February 3rd between 4:30pm-6:30pm
 - Virtual Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96817788783>
 - Brief presentation followed by Q&A
 - Hosted by Town staff and CAP consultants.

- **Power Lines & Wildfire Workshop**
February 4th between 7pm-9pm
 - Virtual Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96817788783>
 - Brief presentation followed by Q&A
 - Led by Central Marin Fire Department



Dear Community Members:

The **draft Climate Adaptation Plan** (CAP) was released in November 2020 at a CAP public workshop and was later presented to our community and Town Council at our December 15, 2020 Council Meeting (view meeting video here: https://youtu.be/1h_HzmkWAYc and draft CAP here: <https://tinyurl.com/y8eps6pe>).

This draft document is the culmination of a two-year planning effort that was initiated in December 2018 that involved: four public workshops, two public surveys, several updates at our Town’s Flood Control Board meetings, and over twenty outreach notifications in the Town’s newsletter, annual Flood Newsletter mailer, Nextdoor posts, Facebook posts, email blasts and frequent project webpage updates (<https://cortemaderaadapts.org/>).

The Climate Adaptation Plan is designed to establish a framework to inform Town decisions relating to how our community adapts to climate change. This CAP document is intended to act as a “living” document that can be updated over time as we gain new information or as conditions change.

Each “project” identified in the plan is essentially an idea that has been analyzed by scientists and engineers at a “planning level,” to evaluate feasibility, costs and benefits, such as; how it would protect the town, how long that protection might last, how much it would likely cost and whether each project is likely to be permitted by environmental regulatory agencies. This analysis will assist with informing next steps and priorities.

Should Town Council adopt the CAP by the end of February (to meet our Caltrans grant deadline), it will not provide any “shortcuts” or “loop-holes” in the public

process, which depending on the scale of each individual project, could include additional public notices, public hearings and discussions before the community, public review by various boards and commissions, compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, etc.

That is also to say, adopting the Climate Adaptation Plan does not necessarily mean that all the projects included therein will ultimately be implemented, nor that they will necessarily be implemented as conceptualized in this first draft of the plan.

In a continued effort to outreach, educate and engage our community on the working draft of the Town's proposed Climate Adaptation Plan, we cordially invite you to attend and participate in two recently added Climate Adaptation Plan Workshops to be held on the following dates:

- **Shoreline Concepts / Flood Preparedness Workshop - February 3, 2021, from 4:30pm to 6:30pm;**
Offered via zoom and presented by Town Staff and our CAP consultants;
Virtual Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96817788783>
- **Power Lines and Wildfire Workshop - February 4, 2021, from 7pm to 9pm;**
Offered via zoom and led by Central Marin Fire Authority (with support from Town staff, as needed).
Virtual Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96817788783>

Dial-in information, if needed, is the same for both meetings:

- iPhone one-tap : +16699006833,,96817788783#
- or telephone: (669) 900-6833
- Webinar ID: 968 1778 8783

Town Staff would like to encourage thoughtful feedback and communications during the upcoming CAP workshops, where the bulk of those events will be dedicated to Q&A. The Town remains committed to engaging our residents and evaluating all concerns as we collectively formulate the most effective Climate Adaptation Plan that will best serve and guide our Town in the years to come. We look forward to continuing this important conversation.

Sincerely,



R.J. Suokko
Director of Public Works
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