

Use and Management of Floodplain Buyouts in Jefferson County

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The Jefferson County Park's Department is responsible for managing the County's over 120 floodplain buyout properties. The majority of the properties have been allowed to return to natural conditions. Although certain restrictions apply, the buyouts can also be used for parks, gardens, camping, outdoor recreation, wildlife habitat, wetland management and other open space uses. The County seeks input from community members and neighbors to identify other desired uses – such as the accessible fishing wharf developed on Blackhawk Island – that could provide outdoor recreation, habitat, and other benefits to the County.

This purpose of this workshop is to gather community ideas on the management of buyouts in the County and on additional, publically-supported uses for the properties.

Meeting Agenda

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| 6:00 – 6:05 PM | Welcome & Meeting Goals |
| 6:05 – 6:15 PM | Background on Buyouts in Jefferson County
How many properties, where are they, and what was the cost? Current management of buyout properties. |
| 6:15 – 6:45 PM | Discussion –Community Feedback on Current Management
Community feedback on use and management of floodplain buyouts |
| 6:45 – 7:00 PM | Management Opportunities for Buyouts
Acceptable uses and management options |
| 7:00 – 7:30 PM | Breakout – The Future of Buyout Sites
Brainstorm possible uses in small groups. |
| 7:30 – 8:00 PM | Report Back and Discussion – The Future of Buyout Sites
Discuss Possible Uses and Ways for Public to Participate |
| 8:00 PM | Conclusion |