

**SULTAN CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

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**ITEM NO:** SR-1

**DATE:** October 8, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Completion of National Flood Insurance Program Review and Compliance Inspection (Community Assistance Visit (CAV))

**CONTACT PERSON:** Robert Martin, Community Development Director

**ISSUE:**  
Transmittal of Final CAV Approval to City Council and Department of Ecology Letter

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**  
No Action is required, information only.

**SUMMARY:**

On a periodic basis, approximately 3-year cycle, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) conducts a review of local Community Compliance with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This inspection process, called a Community Assistance Visit, verifies the level of compliance with the requirements, and is the main determiner of the flood insurance rates for the community.

Earlier this year, the Council adopted a significant upgrade in the Flood Management Section of the Sultan Municipal Code Chapter 17.08. This, along with proper administration of building permit and inspection procedures and correction of certain past omissions, resulted in a full approval of the City's Flood Management Program.

Based on the determination contained in the attached letter from the Washington Department of Ecology, Sultan continues to maintain a favorable Flood Insurance Rating of 7, resulting in a substantial Community-wide savings in Flood Insurance Rates for residents and businesses in the Community.