

U.S. Congressman Mike Gallagher hosts  
**FORDING FLOOD WATERS**

JULY 30, 2019 – 9 AM to 12 PM; Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green Bay

<b><i>Weather Trends and Impacts for the Great Lakes Region:</i></b> A regional summary of recent weather patterns and the outlook for the next few months. Insights into Lake Michigan water levels and subsequent impacts.	NOAA National Weather Service - Green Bay
<b><i>Flood Basics:</i></b> Understanding stream flow and how a watershed works. Simple definitions. Information on WI DNR “Floodplain & Shoreland Management Notes,” a publication to help communities stay current with rules and regulations.	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR)
<b><i>Recent Floods and the Economic Repercussions:</i></b> Flood events in Wisconsin, and the costs from those floods to the state and their communities.	Wisconsin Emergency Management
<b><i>Flood Maps and Identifying Risk Areas:</i></b> An overview of FEMAs mapping process and Letter of Map Changes.	FEMA
<b><i>Current Land Use and Flood Risk:</i></b> A partnership: Feds, State & Local communities - an overview of the basic responsibilities of floodplain management level. An overview of the floodplain ordinance updating process to include best management practices and policy and map changes. Learn about the costs associated with not enforcing the local floodplain ordinance, the strategies of saving time, lives, property and tax payer dollars through mitigation and the Community Rating System Program.	WDNR
<b><i>Broad Strategies: Southeastern WI Coastal Resilience Project:</i></b> A tool tailored to the Great Lakes called “Coastal Resilience Self-Assessment” and an overview of the Southeastern WI Coastal Resilience Project, noting practices that may be applicable to NE WI. This ongoing effort helps communities in SE WI plan and prepare for coastal hazards like erosion and flooding.	UW Sea Grant
<b><i>Three Communities Building Flood Resiliency:</i></b> Learn how three communities have taken steps – from planning to funding to implementation – and are reducing their risks for flood damage.	UW Sea Grant
<b><i>Upstream Solutions to Downstream Problems: A Wetlands and Watersheds Perspective:</i></b> Highlights from a northern WI case study on how degraded wetland and stream conditions contribute to downstream flood damages. Steps one community is taking to assess and address the problem. Technical and policy barriers to restoring wetlands and floodplains to reduce flood risks and damages will also be discussed.	Wisconsin Wetlands Association
<b><i>Planning Resources:</i></b> ASFPM Flood Science Center is a resource for guidance and best practices associated with floodplain and coastal hazard management to address increased rainfall intensity and rising Great Lakes water levels.	Association of State Floodplain Managers
<b><i>Flood Insurance:</i></b> National Flood Insurance Program – what community leaders need to know	FEMA & WDNR
<b><i>Financial Resources - FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants &amp; Eligibility:</i></b> Suite of grant programs including eligibility requirements, the implementation process and upcoming funding opportunities	Wisconsin Emergency Management
<b><i>GIS and Online Tools for Planning and Flood Risk Projections:</i></b> Maps and other online resources can help people better understand their vulnerability to flooding, how to prepare before a flood, and how to respond during and after a flood. This session showcases useful tools for residents and local officials.	UW Sea Grant & Brown County Land Information
<i>The event will cap off with a discussion on local challenges and opportunities for collaboration.</i>	
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