

Public Invited to an Open House for the Anniversary of the 1964 Flood



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1964 FLOOD OPEN HOUSE

GREAT FALLS, Montana – The public is invited to an Open House for the Anniversary of the 1964 Flood on Thursday, June 12, from 4-6 p.m. in the Gibson Room of the Civic Center (2 Park Drive S). The event will be a casual meet and greet with speakers, exhibits, photographs and information regarding the National Flood Insurance Program and Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRM). Light refreshments will be served.

Speakers at the open house include City Commissioner Bill Bronson who will provide a historical perspective on the flood, County Commissioner Jane Weber who will speak on emergency preparedness, and Traci Sears from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation who will speak on the National Flood Insurance Program. The formal presentation will begin at 4:15 p.m.

50 years have passed since the evening of Sunday, June 7, 1964. It was the first time since the Gibson Dam was built on the Sun River that water poured over its top – indicating the start of the 1964 Flood. This flood would eventually envelop all of the Sun River Valley and a large area in West Great Falls.

The Open House is being held in collaboration with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, State Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and Cascade County. For more information about the open

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