



The Custer County Miles City (CCMC) Flood Protection project is a cooperative effort between the town of Miles City and surrounding Custer County to reduce flood risk and the burden of ever increasing flood insurance costs with the completion of a new levee structure.



CURRENT CONDITION:

- 75% of residences and businesses in Miles City are located within the natural floodplain or floodway at the confluence of the Yellowstone and Tongue Rivers.
- There have been 19 recorded flood events since 1882, with eight being major floods resulting in documented property and infrastructure damage.
- Miles City currently stands as the largest flood insurance policy holder in Montana. The community represents approximately 23% of ALL flood insurance policies in the state.

ACTIONS TAKEN OR ONGOING:

- In February, 2015, Miles City City Council voted to move forward with construction of a levee structure to protect the community from the 500-year flood and reduce the number of residents and business owners required to pay costly flood insurance premiums.
- On October 18, 2016, the CCMC Steering Committee hosted a public meeting. USACE presented information about the scope and timing of the Section 205 Study and Jason Strouf, Custer County Commissioner and member of the CCMC Steering Committee provided an update as to efforts to ensure the community is able to provide the 50 percent match needed to move forward with the study.



WHAT'S NEXT?

- Coordination of efforts with USACE is ongoing. USACE has provided a formal cost share agreement and contract and these are currently under review by City and County officials. Documents are anticipated to be revised and signed by the end of 2016 so that the Section 205 Study can begin early in 2017.
- During the Section 205 Study, the CCMC Steering committee will continue work to ensure that cost match requirements are met for the Study, and also that the community is prepared to meet cost share needs for future anticipated construction.
- We look forward to seeing everyone at the next opportunity for public meeting during flood awareness days in April, 2017.

Thank You

FOR JOINING US AND YOUR INTEREST IN THE

**Custer County Miles City (CCMC)
Flood Protection Project**

With gratitude, the CCMC Steering Committee –

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Jeff Erlenbusch, Miles City City Council
Scott Gray, Miles City Public Works Director

