

**Flooding Task Force**  
Meeting Follow-Up  
Wednesday April 29, 2026

**Welcome**

**1:00 PM**

*Don Brown, Deputy Commissioner, Macomb County Public Works – Task Force Co-Chair*  
Commissioner Brown discussed the recent flooding events and why it's so important for the task force to come together to identify region solutions.

**Project Updates and Resilience Strategies**

**1:05 PM**

*Katie Grantham, Planner III, SEMCOG Environment & Infrastructure*

Katie provided an update on the project tasks, including the resilience workshop series, the nature-based solutions concept plans, and the culvert assessments.

- Culvert assessments are currently being conducted across the region. These results will be incorporated into the Flood Risk Tool when complete.
- 7 Nature-Based Solution concept plans are currently being finalized and will be shared when complete.

**Flooding and Heat Risk Dashboard Overview and Discussion**

**1:25 PM**

*Aashka Patel, Climate Resilience Consultant, ICF*

Aashka shared key findings from the flooding and heat vulnerability assessments and provided a tutorial for how to use the [Flood Risk Tool](#). The updated tool features additional assets that are impacted by flooding, including transit stops, and nonmotorized trails.

Following her presentations, participants identified opportunities to enhance usability, improve data transparency, and expand functionality to better support planning, decision-making, and grant applications. Key priorities include improving data integration, increasing user adoption, and transitioning the tool from a reactive to a more proactive planning resource. Tool updates may include the following:

- Addition of data layers (SVI, FEMA FIRM, contours, erosion zones, basement backups, watersheds, CSOs, open space parcels)
- Explore opportunities for real-time data integration
- Add a link to download the data directly from Dashboard.
- Develop onboarding tutorials and guidance materials; this can also include built in "How To" guide
- Create outreach and training plan to increase awareness
- Provide clear use cases for planning and grant support.

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**Report Out****2:35 PM***Tim Woolley, Mayor of Taylor, Task Force Co-Chair***Upcoming Call for Projects & Next Steps****2:45 PM***Katie Grantham, Planner III, SEMCOG Environment & Infrastructure*

- Participants interested in exploring the draft of the Flood Risk Tool more can find the link here: <https://maps.semco.org/floodheatrisktool/>
- The next Task Force Meeting will be June 9 from 1-3pm at the SEMCOG offices. At that meeting, participants will learn more about the Resilience Project Solicitation process, discuss the policies and actions for the plan, and provide feedback on what they would like to see in a resilience HUB site. Registration: [https://semconnect.semco.org/Events/Events/Event\\_Display.aspx?EventKey=ADHC060926&WebsiteKey=346ba721-3255-4fb4-9ea6-899d0eb35a62](https://semconnect.semco.org/Events/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=ADHC060926&WebsiteKey=346ba721-3255-4fb4-9ea6-899d0eb35a62)