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- The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has issued the City of Mount Vernon a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the City's flood protection infrastructure (floodwall)
- The City's preliminary work on the floodwall dates back to 2004. Groundbreaking in 2009. Work complete in late 2017.
- The floodwall cost \$30,914,770; and was completed over the past decade in 3 phases
- Funding for the floodwall
 - 28% City of Mount Vernon
 - 43% Washington State
 - 10% Federal
 - 19% Local
- City has entered into a required 90-day public comment period, to end October 25, 2019
- The floodwall protects vital downtown property, commerce and infrastructure from small and large flood events; and removes the downtown from the FEMA 100-year base flood elevation.
- Floodwall project is a key component of the City's comprehensive Downtown Redevelopment Plan; and added the Riverwalk and Riverwalk Plaza to downtown riverfront area
- City anticipates additional interest from developers and businesses looking to invest in the city's Downtown Core.

City of Mount Vernon website: <http://mountvernonwa.gov/504/Phases-I-II-and-III>

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Funding by Category

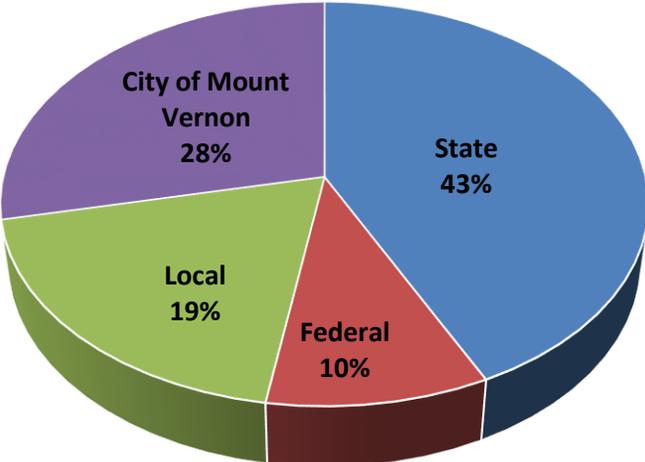


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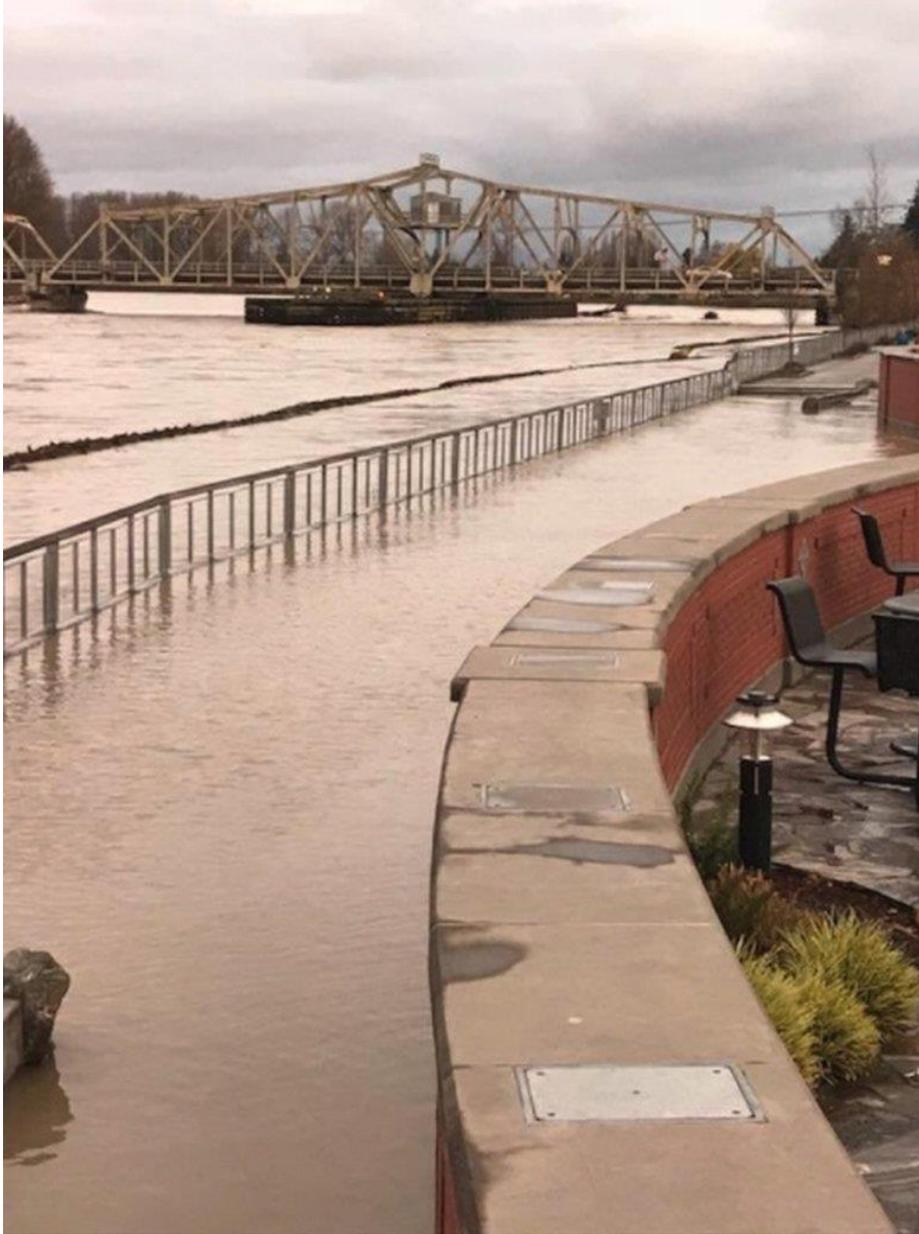


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