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**NRA TO HOST PUBLIC MEETING FOR SAVANNAH GULLY RESIDENTS ON OCTOBER 25TH, 2006**

**NEWS DESCRIPTION**

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The meeting will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 25 October, at Savannah Primary School. It will be conducted in an open-house format, with a formal presentation scheduled for 7:30 p.m. During the meeting, residents will be asked for their feedback, and their views on the tools and proposed solutions.

The flooding is typically caused when storm surge breaks through low spots in the coastal ironshore area, commonly referred to as the gully. The area affected by the flooding in the Savannah Gully area extends through Savannah, Sandy Ground, Spotts Newlands, Savannah Acres, Savannah Meadows, and Newlands. The most recent occurrence of storm-surge flooding was in October 2005, caused by Hurricane Wilma.

NRA officials and consultants Orth-Rodgers & Associates will present the results of the visioning meetings held last May, as well as a synthesis of Hurricane Wilma storm-surge flooding, which depicts the flood hazard zones in the study area.

The project team will also present a range of prevention and mitigation tools to address the flooding problem, in addition to several proposed alternative solutions comprised of various combinations of engineering tools.

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