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Waterfront Holland to hold second James De Young power plant site tour

Holland, Mich., 10/30/2018- The public will have another opportunity to tour the James De Young (JDY) power plant site on Saturday, November 3 as part of the Waterfront Holland initiative. The event offers three time slots for the tours at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. which are RSVP only.

The tours are the third Waterfront Holland event held by the city and HBPW, following an open house style event on October 20 and the first tour event this past weekend.

"Following the success of the first round of tours, we are excited to hold a second round to allow additional members of the public to view the JDY site," said Mark Vanderploeg, community and neighborhood services director for the city of Holland. "We feel like this event gives the public the firsthand view needed to better envision the future of their waterfront."

While the tours are open to the public, HBPW officials are reminding attendees that the JDY power plant is a retired power generation station and is not designed for public access. Attendees will be required to stay with their guides to ensure safety. The location is not highly accessible and the tours are not recommended for people with mobility challenges or who cannot climb stairs.

For those unable to attend the tours, videos looking at the interior and exterior of the site are now available on the Waterfront Holland website. For the videos and additional information about the Waterfront Holland project or to RSVP for a specific time slot during the JDY tour event, visit waterfrontholland.org.

About Waterfront Holland

With the retirement of the James De Young (JDY) power plant in 2017, the city of Holland received a unique opportunity - to shape the future of Holland's downtown waterfront. With no specific plan or timeline in place for the JDY site, Waterfront Holland is a series of public events meant to engage the local community in a positive, collaborative relationship to develop a shared vision for the future waterfront. With a series of community engagement workshops, Waterfront Holland gives the people of Holland the opportunity to shape the waterfront both in the short term and for decades to come as additional opportunities arise. https://waterfrontholland.org/