

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received subgrant applications for City of Mexico Beach repairs to the Canal Parkway Culvert Bridge (crossing) due to damages incurred by Hurricane Michael (DR-4399-FL). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for projects under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 30, 2018, for Hurricane Michael. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a cumulative final notice for FEMA's funding action located within the floodplain. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to locate the culvert crossing at its original location within the floodplain because the structure is either functionally dependent upon its location within the floodplain or promotes open space use.

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state, and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements, and conditions. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Locations of the Proposed Work:
GPS: (29.95312, -85.42996)

Proposed Work and Purpose:

City of Mexico Beach, Bay County (29.95312, -85.42996), the applicant replaced and up-sized from a 60 inch to a 96 inch culvert underneath Canal Parkway Bridge along with associated crossing water utility lines. Embankment stabilization established through a combination of bulkhead and bioengineering., Cost \$2,403,761.00

Project Alternatives:

The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible as the culvert crossing will remain vulnerable to flood risk, including property damage and hazards to human life and safety. With the no action alternative, surrounding properties and residents within the community may experience continued negative impacts. Alternate locations were not considered as the culvert crossing is functionally dependent upon its location within the floodplain.

Comments:

This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described actions funded by the FEMA PA Program. Interested persons may obtain information about specific projects or a map of the affected area by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341 or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4399-PW-00017 PN 69997 at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

Date Posted: July 16th, 2020
Please remove after 15 days.