

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application from the City of Mexico Beach (Bay County, FL) for the construction of an emergency beach berm due to damages from 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 the above project under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 30, 2018 for Hurricane Michael. 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: From 29.92490, -85.38872 to 29.95092, -85.42983

From the southern side of the Mexico Beach Canal to just south of the junction of US Highway 98 and County Road 386.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The City of Mexico Beach intends to furnish and install beach dune compatible sand for an emergency berm; along with native vegetation plantings for stabilization, sections of 4 FT high sand fencing, and install (42) beach access walkways, including posts, ropes and signage, necessary to channel pedestrian traffic to access points and protect the emergency berm and possible nesting shorebirds.

Project Alternatives:

FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to install the emergency berm and associated components for protection of property and the environment. The no action alternative has been considered; this alternative is not feasible, as property and species will remain at risk to future high water and wave actions. The repairs are necessary for the facility to be safe and functional for public use. Alternate locations have not been considered, as this is an emergency project for the protection of property and the environment at the current location.

Comments:

This announcement will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA Program. Interested persons may obtain information for this specific project 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 or questions should be sent, in writing, with the subject line:

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within 15 days of the date of this notice.