

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
12/11/2018**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and Florida Division of Emergency Management have received the following application for Federal grant funding. Final notice is hereby given of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) consideration to provide funding in the form of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Funds will be provided in accordance with Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990 FEMA is required to consider alternatives to and to provide public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority or low-income populations.

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.

Applicant: Pasco County Board of County Commissioners

Project Title: FL-2019-70 – Pasco County Elevation #1

Location of Proposed Work - The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations: Bay Blvd and Old Post Rd may experience minor traffic disruptions due to the elevation of said property.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The current structure will be elevated on pilings in accordance with the most up to date building codes and will be in compliance with the minimum requirements for flood-resistant design and construction as defined in ASCE 24-14 and proper anchorage will be incorporated. The proposed elevation project will bring the home into compliance with the current building codes. In addition, the home will be elevated above the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) which will help to limit the damage caused by future flood events.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) an acquisition demolition of the property. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) the homeowner would remain at risk to storm damage; and Alternative 2) would require the homeowner to relocate and they would like to remain on the property.

Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state or federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to the Florida Division of Emergency Management, Bureau of Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. These are due within 30 days of this notice. The State will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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