

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

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-2019-72 – Pasco County Acquisition #1

Location of Proposed Work - The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations: Landau St., Mirage Ave, and Sentinel St. may experience minor traffic disruptions due to the elevation of said property.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The residential property will be acquired by Pasco County, the existing structure will be demolished, and the land restored to open space. Once the acquisition and demolition is complete, there will be increased floodplain volume for the open parcel and surrounding neighborhood.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) a mitigation reconstruction (tear down and rebuild) of the property. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) the homeowners property would remain at risk to flood damage; and Alternative 2) would be cost prohibitive due to the need to demolish and rebuild the entire structure.

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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