

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
August 7, 2019**

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 a Flood Mitigation Assistance Program Grant.

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:

Monroe County Board of County Commissioners

Project Title:

FMA-FL-2019 - Onsite Mitigation of flood-prone residential structures

Location of Proposed Work:

The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations:

A single family residence on SE Marlin Avenue, Key Largo – Mitigation-Reconstruction

A single family residence on Jolly Roger Dr, Key Largo – Mitigation-Reconstruction

A single family residence on 90th Street Ocean, Marathon – Mitigation-Reconstruction

Proposed Work and Purpose:

For projects designated as "Acquisition and Demolition", the parcels will be purchased by Monroe County BOCC. Any structure existing on each parcel will be demolished and removed. A restriction will be entered on each parcel's deed, restricting the parcel from any future development or building permit. Monroe County BOCC will retain permanent ownership of each parcel and will be responsible for maintaining each parcel, including returning the parcel to natural vegetative state and any esthetic maintenance needs. This type project is chosen after the result of calculating the most efficient method of mitigation as well as owner voluntary participation.

For projects designated as "Mitigation-reconstruction", residential structure on each parcel will be demolished and rebuilt in compliance with FL Building Code and will be elevated 3' above Base Flood Elevation. This type project is chosen after the result of calculating the most efficient method of mitigation as well as owner voluntary participation.

For projects designated as "Elevation", the residential structure on each parcel will be elevated 3' above base flood elevation and an engineered elevated foundation will be installed to support the residential structure. This type project is chosen after the result of calculating the most efficient method of mitigation as well as owner voluntary participation.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) relocation and rebuilding of existing structures. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) repetitive flooding is not alleviated and the needs of the community would not be served; and Alternative 2) does not retain fabric of the community and is cost prohibitive, and therefore not practicable.

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 Recovery and Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. These are due within 30 days of this notice (*or the actual date*). 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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