

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM) have received an application for Federal grant funding as noted below. Notice is hereby given of FEMA's consideration to provide funding in the form of a Hazard Mitigation 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, and to provide a 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 and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

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: Mecklenburg County

Project Title: Mecklenburg County Elevation Project; HMGP DR-4465-0003

Location of Proposed Work: The area affected by this project is along the 2900 and 3000 blocks of Hanson Drive in Charlotte, NC.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

This will be a voluntary house elevation project. For property owners who decide to participate in this voluntary program, the existing homes and their supporting systems will be raised to the community Flood Protection Elevation as a means of reducing future property damages due to flooding. To request additional information about the project contact David Love at Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, 2145 Suttle Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28208 (telephone 980-314-3229, email david.love@mecklenburgcountync.gov).

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (No action): The 'no action' alternative would continue to place these structures at a high risk of being affected by the flooding. The subject properties would remain susceptible to any future flooding events. The damages and risk of potential loss of life would continue to be a threat if no action is taken.

Alternative #2 (Acquisition): A second alternative would be to acquire the structures. This program is voluntary and the applicants did not want to abandon their homes or neighborhood. Furthermore acquisition would not meet cost/benefit requirement given land values in this neighborhood. For these homeowners, elevation is the best alternative.

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:

FEMA Internal 11988 Reviewer
FEMA Region 4
3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road
Atlanta, Georgia, 30341

Alternatively, comments may be emailed to: FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Please send comments with the subject line [HMGP-4465-0003 11988 COMMENT].

All comments are due by no later than 30 days of the posted date of this notice.

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