

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
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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: Bay County Board of County Commissioners

Project Title: Bayou George Fire Station #12 Wind Retrofit
FA #15HM-9J-01-13-01-433 / 4138-15-R

Location of Proposed Work: 9033 Hwy. 2301
Youngstown, FL. 32466

Proposed Work and Purpose: Install large missile impact systems at openings, roofing system, all-thread rods in wall systems and a back-up 72-hr. power system to protect the building, equipment, and critical emergency public functions provided from this facility.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) relocate critical services outside of a designated A flood zone. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under **Alternative 1**, This would continue to leave the facility subject to failure by catastrophic events leaving a vulnerable public. and **Alternative 2**) Relocating this critical facility could impact response times for the public served and depending upon a timely response in a critical emergency and the cost would be substantially greater than the proposed solution.

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 on 2/16/2016. 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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