

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for the City of Murray, KY. Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published Friday, April 23, 2021 for DR-4595 Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides. 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. - Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990 requires FEMA to consider alternatives - and provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 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).

President Biden issued new Executive Orders 13985 and 14008 in January 2021 to further address the need to achieve environmental justice and equity across the federal government. The issuance of the new executive orders more than 20 years after Executive Order 12898 was signed indicates the administration's directive to federal agencies to renew their energy, effort, resources and attention to environmental justice. FEMA is working with applicants/subapplicants to identify communities with Environmental Justice concerns and provide an avenue for local groups and non-profits with an Environmental Justice mission to self-identify so that FEMA Programs can start to work with them on specific projects from the beginning of the application process.

This notice serves as a project- specific final notice for FEMA's funding action will provide funding to the City of Murray to rehabilitate and add to existing stormwater infrastructure system located within a flood prone area of the city. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to fund the proposed rehabilitation and addition of new infrastructure located in the area of North 16th Street and HWY 121 North. 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. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Responsible Entity: FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Applicant: City of Murray, Kentucky

Project Title(s): HMGP 4595-0007 City of Murray Flood Reduction Project: Infrastructure Addition and Rehabilitation.

Location of Proposed Work and Floodplain Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panels:

Site Name	GPS Coordinates	FIRM Panel
City of Murray Flood Reduction Project: N. 16 th St to Wal-Mart Drive between Lowes Drive and HWY 121 North	Beginning- LAT: -88.324136, LON: 36.624190. Ending- LAT: -88.3174 LON: 36.625606	21035C0202C, 21035C0114C
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All Panels effective 9/29/2010. Sites are not located within regulatory floodways. Sites are not located within or adjacent to wetlands.

Proposed Work and Purpose: To rehabilitate and add to existing stormwater infrastructure system located within a flood prone area of the city. The proposed undertaking would increase the capacity of the of the existing storm sewer system, located in the area of North 16th Street and HWY 121 North, to continue to transmit flow. The project would also add a new storm sewer network to be installed parallel to the existing system which would consist of 84" storm sewer piping.

Project Alternatives:

- (1) *Storm Sewer Addition of 84" Pipe along N. 16th St. to HWY 121 North* – This alternative would replace only the portion of the line upstream of the tie in point for the Murray State University campus drainage area. The storm sewer infrastructure in the section of the system is greatly undersized and in need of repair. Although it would help the flood prone area, this would not have as major of an impact on the flooding issue as the primary proposed project will.

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- (2) *No action alternative* – This alternative is not feasible. If no action is taken on the flood prone area, multiple structures will continue to receive damage during flash flooding events. The insufficient infrastructure in the area will continue to deteriorate due to age and the force of flash flooding waters.

Comments: This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA HMGP program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line “HMGP 4595-0007 City of Murray Flood Reduction Project” at the above addresses within 15 days of the date of this notice.

THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15th DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING

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