

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
6/28/21**

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:

City of Chipley

Project Title:

FMA-FL-4399-109 - City of Chipley, Wastewater Lift Stations, Generators

Location of Proposed Work:

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

1286 Morris Ave, Chipley, FL 32428

756 West Blvd, Chipley, FL 32428

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The proposed scope of work will include purchasing two permanent generators that will be used during and after future disasters in the City of Chipley.

The proposed project will enable the City of Chipley to maintain the operations of the wastewater system during times of power outages for long periods of time. The use of the two natural gas-powered generators at the lift stations will enable the City's staff to keep systems functioning and removing waste products during future disasters.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) A possible alternative to the proposed project would be to purchase a trailer mounted generator that would be mobilized and deployed to the lift stations if the need arises for a future severe weather event.

These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under:

Alternative 1) If the proposed project is not completed, the lift stations will continue to experience interrupted usage during severe weather events, affecting the area and residents served by these stations.

Alternative 2) Having to mobilize the trailered generator during severe weather could potentially put City employees at risk. The equipment could also become damaged during severe flooding due to elevation of trailer.

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 15 days of this notice (7/13/21). 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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