

**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in a [Federal Flood Risk Management Standard Designated Floodplain or Wetland]**

[Note: May also be combined with other notices such as state floodplain or wetland notices so long as it contains the required information]

To: All interested Agencies **[include all Federal, State, and Local]**, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that **[HUD under 24 CFR Part 50 or Responsible Entity under 24 CFR Part 58]** has determined that the following proposed action under **[Program Name]** **[HUD grant or contract number]** is located in the **[Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (FFRMS) floodplain / wetland]**, and **[HUD or Responsible Entity]** will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the **[floodplain/wetland]** and the potential impacts on the **[floodplain/wetland]** from the proposed action, as required by **[Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690 and/or Executive Order 11990]**, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 in Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The proposed project location is **[at address(es)]** in **[Name of City]**, **[Name of County]**. The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using **[a Climate Informed Science Approach (CISA) / 0.2 percent flood approach / or freeboard value approach]**. **[Describe the proposed activities, e.g. purpose, type of assistance, size of the proposed site, proposed number of units, project footprint, type of floodplain (e.g. FFRMS, floodway, Coastal High Hazard Area (V Zone), or Limit of Moderate Wave Action) / wetland (e.g. marine, estuarine, lacustrine, palustrine, or riverine), existing natural and beneficial functions (e.g. floodwater storage and conveyance, groundwater discharge or recharge, erosion control, water quality maintenance, and habitat for flora and fauna) and intrinsic values (e.g. recreational, educational, scientific, historic, and cultural) of the floodplain/wetland potentially adversely affected by the activity].** **[State the total number of acres of floodplain/wetland potentially impacted].**

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in **[floodplain/wetland]** and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the **[floodplain/wetland]**, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the **[floodplain/wetland]**. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about **[floodplain/wetland]** can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in **[floodplain/wetland]**, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by **[HUD or Responsible Entity]** at the following address on or before **[month, day, year]** **[a minimum 15 calendar day comment period will begin the day after the publication and end on the 16th day after the publication]:** **[HUD or Responsible Entity]**, **[Address]** and **[phone number]**. Attention: **[Name of Certifying Officer or designee]**, **[Title]**. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from **[enter available office hours]** at **[address or state address is same as above]** and **[web address if available]**. Comments may also be submitted via email at **[email address]**.

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