

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
03/25/2024**

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:**

Pasco County Board of County Commissioners

**Project Title:**

HMGP Nicole – Pasco County, Sunfish Drive Elevation

**Location of Proposed Work:**

The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations:  
Sunfish Drive, Pasco County, Florida

**Proposed Work and Purpose:**

Home Elevation. The property and surrounding areas are very prone to flooding. Elevating the structure will remove the threat of flood damage. The current structure will be elevated on stem walls with footers in accordance with the most up-to-date building codes and will be in compliance with the minimum requires for flood-resistant design and construction.

**Project Alternatives:**

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) acquisition/demolition. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) repetitive flooding is not alleviated and the needs of the community would not be served; and Alternative 2) does not retain fabric of the community and is cost prohibitive, and therefore not practicable.

**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 30 days of this notice. 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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