

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for the City of Mexico Beach 15th Street bridge repairs due to damages in Hurricane Michael (DR-4399-FL PW 00597). 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 Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 30, 2018 for Hurricane Michael. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within the floodplain.

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	FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program
Entity: Applicant:	City of Mexico Beach
Project Title(s):	PA-04-FL-4399-PW-00597 PN 77986; 428 Project - 15th Street Bridge
Location of Proposed Work:	15 th Street, Mexico Beach, Florida (29.942239, -85.405675 to 29.942565, -85.405101)
Floodplain:	The project area is located in Zones A and AE, otherwise known as the area of 100-year flooding, per Bay County FIRM Panel # 12005C0509H dated 06/02/2009.
Proposed Work and Purpose:	In this project, the city repaired and/or replaced components of the 15th Street Bridge in-kind and within existing footprint to return the facility back to its pre-disaster design, use, and function. The components that were repaired or replaced include 60ft of utility conduit, 800SF of asphalt paving, 120SF of road base, 3.7CY of upland embankment, 428ft of guard rail, 50 guard rail posts, and 4 signs.
Project Alternatives:	The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible as the community would no longer be able to cross the Mexico Beach canal on 15 th Street. This would limit access between the Mexico Beach neighborhoods and remove one of the primary access routes leading away from the beach during disasters. Alternate locations were not considered as the bridge is dependent on its location within the 15 th Street right-of-way. The project will preserve the ability of the floodplain to perform its beneficial functions by allowing water to pass underneath the structure.
Comments:	This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA 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-FLORIDA@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4399-PW-00597, Mexico Beach 15 th Street Bridge at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.