

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. 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 Port Security Grant Program.

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 Public Assistance Program

Applicant: Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Project Title(s): 2018-PU-00128 (35945) Dauphin Island Coastal Remote Monitoring

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

| Road Name (Address) | FIRM Panel |
|------------------------|-------------|
| DCNR Tower | 01097C0913K |
| Fort Morgan USCG Tower | 01097C1007K |
| Intercoastal Water Way | 01003C0917K |
| Middle Bay Lighthouse | 01097C0820K |
| Middle Bay Pier | 01097C0689K |
| Technip FMC Spool Base | 01097C0689K |
| Perdidio Pass | 01003C0968K |

All Panels effective 04/19/2019 or 03/17/2010. Sites are located within regulatory floodways. All sites are located within or adjacent to wetlands.

Proposed Work and Purpose: Install and upgrade digital surveillance system with the addition of the 2 new cameras, and the upgrading of the 5 other camera platforms 24 hours a day 7 days a week. All vessel traffic will be able to be monitored continuously from the time they enter Mobile Bay from the Gulf of Mexico or Intracoastal Waterways (and as they approach), all the way to the Port of Mobile in the Mobile River or Theodore Industrial Canal. The system provides both live and archived video monitoring.

Project Alternatives:

- (1) *Relocation of facilities outside of the floodplain* – Relocating the facilities would not allow the proposed project to serve its intended function, potentially altering safety and security of the coastal waterways. The upgrades to the facilities are limited in scope and the cost of relocation would likely outweigh the cost to upgrade the cameras at current locations. Floodplain avoidance by relocating the facilities is not a practicable alternative and would adversely impact social or economic resources for the community
- (2) *No action alternative* – This alternative is not feasible as the upgrades are necessary to ensure the safety and security of the coastline and adjacent communities. The monitoring system protects the coastal Alabama communities with 24 hour 7 days a week surveillance. With the no action alternative, potential negative impacts may be experienced.

Comments: This will serve as the public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. A map of the area or location is available for public inspection and may be requested at the provided email. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line "Dauphin Island Coastal Remote Monitoring" 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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