

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for Volusia County's North County Lifeguard Station improved project due to damages from Hurricane Matthew (DR-4283-FL PW 728). 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 November 21, 2016 for Hurricane Matthew. 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. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to locate this facility at an alternate location but it will remain within the floodplain because the facility is functionally dependent upon its location 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 Entity:** FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program
- Applicant:** Volusia County
- Project Title(s):** PA-04-FL-4283-PW-00728; VCGRH29 - Beach - North County Lifeguard Station
- Location of Proposed Work:** 1665 Oceanshore Blvd, Ormond Beach FL 32176 (29.334223, -81.059015).
- Floodplain:** The project is located in the VE Zone, otherwise known as the Coastal High Hazard Area, per Volusia County FIRM Panel #12127C0208K dated 9/29/2017.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** Volusia County is proposing an improved project for the North County Lifeguard Station. Work would include relocating the facility approximately 160 ft south (29.33383, -81.05892) of current location to increase the base flood elevation to +18 ft. This would require demolition of the old lifeguard tower, abandoning the septic system, earthwork, utility sitework, and all construction of the new lifeguard tower. The proposed project will be conditioned for Endangered Species Act compliance and permits from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
- Project Alternatives:** The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible, as this facility is necessary to provide a functional and safe beach to the public. The alternate location moves the facility out of the wetland but not the floodplain because the lifeguard station is functionally dependent upon its location within the floodplain and must be adjacent the beach.
- 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, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, calling 770-220-5432, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4283-PW-00728, Volusia County at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.