

PUBLIC NOTICE
Federal Emergency Management Agency
In accordance with 44 CFR §9.8 for Executive Orders 11988 & 11990
Proposed Borough of Longport Flood Mitigation
Borough of Longport, Atlantic County, New Jersey

Notification is hereby given to the public of the intent of the Department of Homeland Security-Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) to provide federal funding to the Borough of Longport as Subrecipient for the proposed flood mitigation project through the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Program in Longport, Atlantic County, New Jersey. The purpose of the FMA Grant Program is to reduce or eliminate claims under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This notification is given in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 11988 (Floodplain Management) and EO 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), and their implementing regulations in 44 CFR Part 9, and the National Historic Preservation Act.

The proposed scope of work consists of the replacement and installation of upgraded storm sewer infrastructure on Winchester Avenue, 31st Avenue, and 34th Avenue. Upgrades will consist of installing upsized storm sewer pipes and new inlets. Work will also include the replacement of the bulkhead at the 34th Avenue street-end (39.322746, -74.523416), and roadway restoration as needed.

This action would take place within the 100-year floodplain and in mapped wetlands. Alternatives considered include: 1) taking no action 2) filling and raising the land, or 3) the proposed alternative, which is upsizing and enhancing storm sewer infrastructure and installing bulkhead replacements. FEMA has determined that the proposed alternative is the most practicable to provide increased storm resiliency and flood mitigation to the nearby communities. FEMA has also determined that investment of funds to reduce flood risk in this area is in the public interest. Potential impacts to the floodplain and water quality or aquatic habitat are anticipated to be temporary during construction and minimized through best management practices and conservation measures incorporated from resource agency recommendations and required regulatory permits.

Comments about this project, potential alternatives, and floodplain and/or wetland impacts may be submitted in writing within 15 days of the date of this publication to: FEMA Region 2, Attn: Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY, 10278 or via email to FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov. If substantive comments are received, FEMA will evaluate and address the comments as part of the environmental documentation for this project.