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### FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for the City of Everglades due to damages in Hurricane Irma (DR-4337-FL PW-03518). 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 5, 2017 for Hurricane Irma. 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 Entity:** FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program
- Applicant:** City of Everglades
- Project Title(s):** PA-04-FL-4337-PW-03518; [41990] DR 4337-FL-Collier- Everglades City- Damages to reclaimed water system
- Location of Proposed Work:** City Hall: (25.85795, -81.38429); Community Center: (25.85879, -81.38408); Maintenance Building (25.85346, -81.38419); Chokoloskee Sewer Lift Station: (25.81888, -81.35941)
- Floodplain/Wetland:** Project is located in the VE Zone, otherwise known as the Coastal High Hazard Area, and AE Zone, otherwise known as the areas subject to inundation by the 1-percent-annual-chance flood event determined by detailed methods, per Collier County FIRM Panels #12021C1085J, and #12021C1105J dated 12/31/2019. There is a potential for the facility to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the floodplain. The proposed work will not take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetlands Inventory and will have little potential to impact or affect wetland values.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** VERSION 1 is for a Scope of Work (SOW) change: City of Everglades (applicant) proposes an alternate project involving damages to the Reclaimed Water System; facility will not be restored to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity. Instead, applicant will install a generator at the City Hall, Community Center, Maintenance Building, and Chokoloskee Sewer Lift Station. To reduce risk of future flooding, generators will be protected from flood inundation at least to the 0.2% annual chance flood elevation. To reduce risk of service interruptions, the generators will ensure potable water and essential services during future events.
- Project Alternatives:** FEMA has considered the no action alternative and has determined that it is not feasible to take no action as leaving the facilities without generators will have adverse health, safety, and environmental impacts. Alternative locations were not considered as the new generators are functionally dependent upon the City Hall, Community Center, Maintenance Building, and Chokoloskee Sewer Lift Station facilities located within the floodplain.
- 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-4337-PW-03518, City of Everglades at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.