

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Oak Island has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Program funding through North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM) as a sub- recipient.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990, FEMA is required to consider alternatives, and to provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

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.

Sub-Applicant: Town of Oak Island

Project Title: 162456- 10th57th Place Access and Boat ramp, 27th Place Access; PA-04-NC-4568-PW-00161

Location of Proposed Work:

Facility	GPS Location	Date of Construction
10 th Place West Access	33.91460, -78.17173	2018
57 th Place Boat Ramp and Dock	33.91597, -78.21400	1983
57 th Place Access	33.91366, -78.21380	1980
27 th Place West Access	33.91438, -78.18751	1980

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:

This project is for the repair to pre-disaster condition of the wooden beach accesses at 10th Place West, 57th Place, and 27th Place West, and the boat ramp and dock at 57th Place. All work is located in a shaded VE zone (1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard subject to wave action). Confirmation of location in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) was determined by the Brunswick County Flood Insurance Rate Map, Panel Numbers: 3720203600K, 3720204600K, and 3720205600K, dated 8/28/2018. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of North Carolina and local floodplain regulations. There is a potential for the facility to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the VE zone. The proposed work will take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory but will have little potential to impact or affect wetland values.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The Town of Oak Island will remove and replace wood guard railings, decking, sitting area, and stairs at the beach accesses to bring them back to pre-disaster condition. The Town will remove and replace wooden dock, plastic floats, and metal dock connectors to repair the boat ramp and dock to pre-disaster condition.

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (No action): The 'no action' alternative would ultimately result in a negative impact to the Town of Oak Island. If the beach accesses and boat ramp are not repaired, then the community and tourists will not be able to access the beach and waterway; adverse economic and social impacts may occur.

Alternative #2 (Repair in-kind): Repairing the beach accesses and boat dock will allow the community and tourists to enjoy the recreational value of the floodplain.

Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state or federal agencies, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to:

FEMA Internal 11988 Reviewer
FEMA Region 4
3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road
Atlanta, Georgia, 30341

Alternatively, comments may be emailed to: FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Please send comments with the subject line [DR-4568-NC-00161 11988 COMMENT].

All comments are due by no later than 30 days of the posted date of this notice.

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