



EARLY NOTICE AND PUBLIC REVIEW OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A 100-YEAR/500-YEAR FLOODPLAIN

TO: All interested Agencies: HUD, GLO, Galveston County, City of Friendswood and Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that **The City of Friendswood & Galveston County under Part 58** have determined that the following proposed action under **Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery, CDBG-DR and contract numbers 20-066-045-C444 and 20-066-046-C455** is located in the **100-year floodplain and 500-year floodplain** and the **City of Friendswood & Galveston County** will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the **100-year floodplain and 500-year floodplain** and the potential impacts on the **100-year floodplain and 500-year floodplain** from the proposed action, as required by **Executive Order 11988 and 11990**, and in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. **The project will include acquisition and demolition of Repetitive Loss Structures in the floodplain. The floodplain area totals approximately seven acres with five townhome structures. The structures are currently adjacent to Clear Creek and sit within the 500 and 100-Year floodplain. This project will benefit the natural function of the area by restoring the property to the floodplain, restoring habitat for wildlife and vegetation, and prevent future property loss and damages. The space will be utilized as greenspace. There are no adverse impacts to the floodplain or Clear Creek anticipated because of this project. The project will restore approximately seven acres of floodplain to the area and will benefit the Community Rating System score. The proposed project(s) is located and impacts the Frenchman's Creek Townhomes property in Friendswood, TX, Galveston County.**

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in the **100-year floodplain, 500-year floodplain or Clear Creek** and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the **100-year floodplain, 500-year floodplain or Clear Creek**, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about **100-year floodplain, 500-year floodplain or Clear Creek** can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in **100-year floodplain, 500-year floodplain or Clear Creek**, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the **City of Friendswood** at the following address on or before **June 7th, 2021**: **City of Friendswood Engineering Department, 15355 Blackhawk Blvd., Friendswood TX. 77546, 281-993-3411**, Attention: **Hailee Medwedeff, Project Manager**. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from **7:30A.M. - 5:30 P.M., Monday – Thursday, and Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.** in the **City Secretary's Office** located at **910 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood TX. 77546** and at <https://www.ci.friendswood.tx.us/>. Comments may also be submitted via email at engineering@friendswood.com.

Written comments must be received by **Galveston County** at the following address on or before **June 10th, 2021**: **Galveston County Judge, 722 Moody (21st Street), Suite 200 Galveston, TX., 409-766,2244** Attention: **Hon. Mark Henry**. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from **8:00AM-5:00PM Monday – Friday** at **722 Moody (21st Street) Galveston, TX. 77550**.

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