

Public Notice

On November 09, 2016, a Fire Management Assistance Declaration was issued by President Barack Obama following wildfires that occurred between November 05, 2016 to December 03, 2016. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funds were made available by President Donald J. Trump for Fire Management Assistance declarations in fiscal years 2017 and 2018. Section 20602 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 authorizes HMGP Post Fire assistance. These monies can also provide resources to assist states, tribal governments, territories, and local communities in their efforts to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insurable under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended. This funding is implemented under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5207.

Proposed Work and Purpose: The County of Rutherford proposes to purchase and demolish seven (7) single family residential dwellings in Rutherford County, Tennessee in imminent danger of residence being damaged by flood waters from localized flooding. Upon successful offer, acceptance and sale, the subgrantee will inspect, abate any hazardous conditions, and then demolish the structure within 90 days of purchase. The site will then be restored and deed restricted as open space consistent with 44 CFR Part 80 in perpetuity. Rutherford County will take ownership and be responsible for post project site maintenance and inspections. Acquiring and demolishing the structure is the only permanent solution to mitigate the risk of imminent danger of residence being flooded. Information regarding the location of the properties selected for this mitigation effort is detailed below:

Location of Proposed Work: The residences are located in the Liddell Avenue, Roanoke Drive, and Blueridge Drive areas. These homes are not in a FEMA identified flood hazard area, but have repeatedly been surrounded by water. The homeowners and emergency vehicles cannot cross the water across the driveways and the water causes damage to the HVAC units and increases the chances of dangerous mold conditions under these homes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with the proposed projects and is wishing to comment on these projects may submit written comments to the Rutherford County, contact information below. All comments received by November 30, 2018 will be reviewed by Rutherford County and forwarded on to the State and FEMA.

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