Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year/500-Year Floodplain

August 7, 2019

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To: All Interested Agencies, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Florida Division of Emergency Management, County of Volusia, Groups and Individuals.

This is to give notice that the County of Volusia (Responsible Entity under Part 58) has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, to determine the potential affect that its activity in the floodplain will have on the human environment for the following activities:

Disaster Recovery services to eligible owner-occupied homes throughout Volusia County utilizing Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds. The County of Volusia will be providing funds to assist with 1) Replacement of pre-1994 manufactured and mobile homes that were substantially damaged from Hurricane Matthew on owned lots; 2) Replacement of pre-1994 manufactured and mobile homes that were substantially damaged from Hurricane Matthew on rented lots; 3) Repair of owner-occupied 1-unit single-family dwellings that were substantially damaged from Hurricane Matthew and are in need of reconstruction or rehabilitation. Note: Replacement and reconstruction shall occur within the existing disturbed footprint as much as possible. Volusia County, Florida is comprised of 814,901.7 acres of which 439,593.1 pose a potential effect. The total floodplain area affected at each site would be less than ¼ acre.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks 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 floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the County of Volusia at the following address on or before **August 23, 2019**: County of Volusia, 110 West Rich Avenue, DeLand, FL. 32720, Attention: Lisa Peterson, Project Coordinator-Housing. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9:00am-4:00pm at the address identified previously. Comments may also be submitted via email to cdbq@volusia.org.

THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Pursuant to Title II of the ADA, Volusia County does not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities in providing or conducting its services, programs, or activities. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of county policies to participate in a meeting or other event, should contact the County's ADA Title II Coordinator, Mr. George Baker at (386) 248-1760 no later than 2 business days before the event or meeting.