

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Southside Fire and EMS has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) as a sub-grantee.

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 to 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.

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.

Applicant: Southside Fire and EMS

Project Title: Statewide Generator Application #1

Location of Proposed Work

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #2

Address of Structure: 1831 East Montgomery Crossroads Savannah, Georgia 31406

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #4

Address of Structure: 155 Wilmington Island Road Savannah, Georgia 31410

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #5

Address of Structure: 553 McWhorter Drive Savannah, Georgia 31411

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #7

Address of Structure: 1440 Grove Point Road Savannah, Georgia 31419

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #8

Address of Structure: 4800 East US Highway 80 Savannah, Georgia 31410

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #9

Address of Structure: 59 Log Landing Road Savannah, Georgia 31411

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Name of Structure: Southside Fire/EMS Station #10

Address of Structure: 4501 Ogeechee Road Savannah, Georgia 31405

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: VE or V 1-30 AE or A 1-30 AO or AH

A (or no base flood elevation given) B or X (shaded) C or X (unshaded)

Proposed Work and Purpose: The Southside Fire and EMS is requesting funds to purchase and install emergency back-up generator transfer switches at critical facilities located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). The proposed work conforms to all applicable local and state floodplain regulations. The proposed work has no effect on the local floodplain. The transfer switches will be elevated to the 500-year flood level to mitigate any possible flood damage.

Project Alternatives: (include project alternatives and why they were not considered)

Alternative #1 (no action alternative): Fire services are essential and even more critical during severe storm events. When there are power failures, these critical facilities will have to improvise by using vehicles for tactical operations.

Alternative #2: The only practicable alternative is to rent generators in the event of severe weather or other major storms.

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 Southside Fire and EMS. All comments are due within 30 days of this notice. Southside Fire and EMS will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed.

Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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End of Notice