

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for the Department of Environmental Protection, St. Andrews State Park pavilion, due to damages incurred in Hurricane Michael (DR-4399-FL PW 01894). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 30, 2018 for Hurricane Michael. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within the floodplain.

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. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

- Responsible Entity:** FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program
- Applicant:** Department of Environmental Protection
- Project Title(s):** PA-04-FL-4399-PW-01894; DRP - St. Andrews State Park - Facilities (Project 39)
- Location of Proposed Work:** 30.12493, -85.73284
- Floodplain:** Project is located in the VE (EL 13 Feet) Zone, otherwise known as the Coastal High Hazard Area, per Bay County FIRM Panels #12005C0401H dated 06/02/2009.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** The Department of Environmental protection will be making repairs to St. Andrews State Park pavilion as a result of Hurricane Michael. Pavilion repairs include removing and replacing corrugated metal roofing, drip edge, fascia board, roof plywood, wood rafters, plywood ceiling, wood beam DBL, wood brackets, posts and bracing; restoring this facility to pre-disaster design, function and capacity within their existing footprint. The proposed project action area is located within the critical habit of ESA listed species Beach Mice. However, the action is covered under USFWS PBO dated 11/15/2007, falling under Conservation Measures in Appendix A, 1.2 regarding Coastal Panhandle Florida (Projects within or contiguous to the beachfront and dunes in Bay County) – Beach mice. The project is also located within an Otherwise Protected Area within the Coast Barrier Resources System.
- Project Alternatives:** The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible as the area will remain vulnerable to flood risk, including property damage and hazards to human life and safety. With the no action alternative, continued negative impacts on adjacent infrastructure, property, residents, and the community may be experienced. Alternate locations were not considered as the park's pavilion is a facility that provides open space uses for recreation and habitat for wildlife.
- Comments:** This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341 or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4399-PW-01894, Department of Environmental Protection at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.