

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

DeKalb County has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding through the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS) as a sub-recipient.

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. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

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: Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Project Title: DeKalb County Acquisition

Location of Proposed Work:

Name of Structure: See Table

Address of Structure: See Table, DeKalb County, Georgia

A map showing the location of all properties is available by contacting Akin Akinsola (aaakinsola@dekalbcountyga.gov)

| Residence | Address | Latitude | Longitude | Date of Construction |
|-----------|---|----------|------------|--|
| Resident | 1247 Rowland Road, Stone Mountain, GA 30083 | 33.7673 | -84.2240 | 1969, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |
| Resident | 2368 Spring Creek Road Decatur, GA 30033 | 33.81387 | -84.29633 | 1960, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |
| Resident | 2383 Spring Creek Road Decatur, GA 30033 | 33.81411 | -84.29714 | 1962, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |
| Resident | 2337 Hunting Valley Drive Decatur, GA 30033 | 33.80537 | -84.294019 | 1956, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |
| Resident | 627 Densley Drive Decatur, GA 30033 | 33.7971 | -84.30396 | 1957, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone: This project is for the acquisition and demolition of properties located in flood zone AE (1% annual chance flood elevation). Confirmation of

location in an SFHA was made by reference to the latest Flood Insurance Rate Map, Panels 13089C0088J, 13089C0058K and 13089C0066K. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of Georgia and local floodplain regulations. The proposed work has no effect on the local floodplain.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

DeKalb County is requesting funds to acquire and demolish five (5) flood-prone properties located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). The properties will be converted to open space to mitigate any future flood damages.

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (no action alternative): If no action is taken, the properties will continue to flood. The property owners will continue to file insurance claims and more money will be spent to repair and insure their homes.

Alternative #2: An alternative project would be to elevate the homes out of the floodplain, reducing (but not eliminating) the risk of flood damage in the future.

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 DeKalb County. All comments are due within 30 days of this notice. DeKalb County 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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DeKalb County Roads & Drainage
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