

PUBLIC NOTICE

HSGP 2022-SS-00009 (50261) Montgomery Co MD Flood Sensors

Notification is hereby given to the public of the intent of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide assistance through the Maryland Department of Emergency Management (MDEM) to Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS), for the installation of flood sensors at the following facilities: 2200 Brighton Dam Rd, Brookeville, MD (39.184477, -77.046031), 23798 Loghouse Rd, Damascus, MD (39.246356, -77.203643), and 26020 Long Corner Rd, Damascus, MD (39.285664, -77.161471). The equipment onsite will be mounted on a 2-meter-tall pole, installed creek-side. The pole will be 1" by 1" in size, hand driven no more than 18 inches into the ground. One cable will be buried within a conduit in a hand dug trench approximately 4-6 inches deep into the ground for a small sensor to monitor water levels. Trenches will be approximately 3 feet in length from the pole to the stream. At the terminus of the conduit, the cable will connect to a 1' long rod which will be hammered into the streambed.

Because of locations within the Special Flood Hazard Area (Zone A and Zone AE, 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Area per FIRM panels 24031C0216D, dated 09/29/2006; 24031C0180D, dated 09/29/2006; 24031C0070D, dated 09/29/2006) under the President's Executive Order 11988 Floodplain Management, FEMA is required to consider alternatives and to provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains. Executive Order 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. Public comment is invited on possible alternatives to this action and methods to protect the facilities. Funding for this project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and executive orders.

Interested persons may obtain information about this action and its specific location by calling 240-777-2325 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Comments about this project and the application of the Floodplain Management Executive Order to it should be submitted in writing or email to Matt Miziorko at emergency.management@montgomerycountymd.gov by 5:00 pm Monday, 10/28/24. This public notice will also serve as the final public notice provided there are no questions or concerns regarding this project.