

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Haywood County Schools has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Program funding through the North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM) 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, 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.

Sub-Applicant: Haywood County Schools

Project Title: [PN 437136] Pisgah High School Football Field; PA-04-NC-4617-PW-00121

Location of Proposed Work:

Facility	Address	Latitude	Longitude	Date of Construction
Pisgah High School Football Field	61-69 Penland St Canton, NC 28716	35.52692	-82.84118	Approx. 1931 and 1985

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:

This project is for the repair of the Pisgah High School Football Field, which is located in a Floodway and AE zone. Confirmation of location in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) was determined by the Haywood County Effective Flood Insurance Rate Map, Panel Number: 3700865600J dated 4/3/2012. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of North Carolina and local floodplain regulations. The proposed work has the potential to be impacted by flooding in the future but promotes open space use, recreation and educational resources for the community. The proposed work will not take place in wetland per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory and will have no potential to impact or affect wetland values.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

Haywood County Schools will make repairs to the Pisgah High School Football Field. Repairs will consist of removing and replacing chain link fencing and gates, field turf, a scoreboard, curbing, drainage piping, electrical equipment such as outlets, control panel boards, breakers, switches, junction boxes, etc., heaters, water heaters, thermostats, wood cabinets, ceiling panels, and lighting fixtures throughout the football field and associated facilities. Conducting incidental debris cleanup and sanitizing facilities will also occur during repairs. Additionally, measure to minimize future damage will be implemented by elevating electrical panels, junction boxes, outlets and the scoreboard. Floodplain development permits have also been obtained for repair work to the football facilities. The purpose of this project is to repair the football field and associated facilities, which will provide open space, recreation and educational resources for the community.

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (No action alternative): The 'no action' alternative would ultimately result in a negative impact on the community. If the Pisgah Center High School Football Field was not repaired, community access to open space, recreation and educational resources would be lost. As a result, economic and social impacts may occur.

Alternative #2: (Relocation): Relocation is not practicable as this action would result in adverse economic and social impacts to the community. Additionally, the repairs will support the natural and beneficial values of the floodplain through open space use.

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:

FEMA Internal 11988 Reviewer
FEMA Region 4
3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road
Atlanta, Georgia, 30341

Alternatively, comments may be emailed to: FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Please send comments with the subject line [DR-4617-NC-00121 11988 COMMENT].

All comments are due by no later than 30 days of the posted date of this notice.

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