

**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain
Lantern Park Stormwater Management Improvements Project**

To: All interested Agencies including HUD, FEMA, and other State and local agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Volusia County Office of Recovery and Resiliency has determined that the following proposed action under the U.S. Department of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) is located in the 500-year floodplain and the Volusia County Office of Recovery and Resiliency will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988 in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

The Lantern Park Stormwater Management Improvements project consists of removal of existing basins and culvert; plugging the existing culvert, installation of erosion and sediment controls, construction of a detention pond; installation of new culverts and basins. The pond is planned for a stage volume of approximately 343,000 cubic feet with a treatment volume of approximately 116,000 cubic feet, and a permanent pool volume of approximately 658,000 cubic feet. The entire parcel will be kept mowed for the life of the facility.

The entire 2.47 acres project site is within the 500-year floodplain.

The site is currently covered with trees and other vegetation.

The estimated total project cost is **\$3,500,000**.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplains, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Volusia County Office of Recovery and Resiliency at the following address **on or before September 8, 2025**. Comments can be sent to the County at 1578 N. Woodland Blvd. DeLand, FL 32720-4213 and phone number 386-717-2831, Attention: Melissa Dewall. A full description of the project may also be reviewed at, or copies requested from, the Volusia County Office of Recovery and Resiliency from the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at 1578 N. Woodland Blvd. DeLand, FL.

Comments may also be submitted via email to Melissa DeWall, Office of Recovery and Resiliency, at mdewall@volusia.org.

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