FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

SC Dept of Natural Resources has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Program funding through the South Carolina Emergency Management Department (SCEMD) 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: SC Dept of Natural Resources

Project Title: DR 4677 - PW 00056 - Cat G – Damage to Boat Slip area

Location of Proposed Work:

Facility	Latitude	Longitude
Boat Slip Area	32.75320	-79.89934

Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:

This project is for repairing a boat slip back to pre-disaster conditions within the existing footprint. All work is located in a VE- Coastal High Hazard Zone (1% annual chance flood elevation with velocity hazard, wave action). Location in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) was determined by the Charleston County Insurance Rate Map, Panel Number: 45019C0519K, dated 1/28/2021. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of South Carolina and local floodplain regulations. There is a potential for the facilities to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within a VE Zone.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

SC DNR will repair the following: replacement of rip rap, fenders, a power box, replacing wood pilings, whalers, flowable fill, and piling pole toppers, back to pre-disaster conditions and to serve its intended purpose as a stationary area where residences and visitors may travel, providing social and economic resources for the community.

Project Alternatives:

Alternative #1 (No action): The 'no action' alternative would ultimately result in a negative impact to Charleston County because the boat slip is meant to be an area for holding boats at a safe location with easy access to the ocean. Therefore, the "no action" alternative is not practicable solution.

Alternative #2 (Change of location): The locations for these park type services are functionally dependent upon its location within the floodplain. Therefore, having an alternative location with access to the ocean would still suffer from future wave damages.

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-4677-SC-00056] 11988 COMMENT.

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

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End of Notice