## FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for Lee County due to damages as a result of Hurricane Ian (DR-4673-FL). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988, Executive Order 11990 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for projects under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice for Hurricane Ian (DR-4673-FL) was published on 10/18/2022. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding of an action located within the floodplain. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to repair these facilities at their original locations within the Floodplain. The repairs of these wastewater treatment facilities are back to their pre-disaster conditions, to restore function of the treatment plan component and security features. 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. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

**Responsible Entity**: FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program

**Applicant:** Lee County

**Project Title(s)**: Wastewater Treatment Plants

PA-04-FL-4673-PW-03811 (PA-GM 703520)

**Location of Proposed Work:** Fiesta Village Wastewater Treatment Facility, 1366 San Souci Drive, Fort Myers,

FL 33919, GPS Latitude/Longitude: (26.54041, -81.90436)

Pine Island Wastewater Treatment Plant, 6928 Stringfellow Road, St. James City,

FL 33956, GPS Latitude/Longitude: (26.56183, -82.09002)

Floodplain/Wetlands: The projects are located in AE Zones, per Lee County Flood Insurance Rate Map

(FIRM) Panel Numbers: 12071C0417G, 12071C0380G, 12071C0390G, dated 11/17/2022. The proposed work will not take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory and will have little

potential to impact or affect wetland values.

Proposed Work and Purpose: Lee County proposes to repair two wastewater treatment plants to their pre-

disaster design, function, and capacity (in-kind) within the existing footprint. These repairs include repair of six buildings, perimeter fencing, drywall, wall panels, roofing elements, exterior lighting, waste treatment mechanical covers, and one antenna tower, and replacement of two sheds. The purpose of this work is to restore the County's wastewater system to full functionality for the health

and safety of residents in Lee County.

**Project Alternatives**: FEMA has considered the no-action alternative, as required by Title 44 of the

Code of Federal Regulations and has determined it is impracticable as the facilities are part of an established facility network. The no action alternative would adversely impact the community for economic and social effects. No alternative locations are practicable due to the existing locations being essential

to a network system.

**Comments:** This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action

funded by the FEMA PA program. Interested persons may submit comments,

questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing <a href="FEMA-R4EHP-FLORIDA@fema.dhs.gov">FEMA-R4EHP-FLORIDA@fema.dhs.gov</a>. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line, "FL-4673-PW-03811 PN 703520 Wastewater Treatment Plants" at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING.

NOTICE WAS POSTED ON 5th DAY OF <u>DECEMBER</u> 2025

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