JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE December 11th, 2025

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and Florida Division of Emergency Management have received the following application for Federal grant funding. Final notice is hereby given of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) consideration to provide funding in the form of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Funds will be provided in accordance with Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended.

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 to and to provide public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands.

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.

Applicant:

Lee County Board of County Commissioners

Project Title:

HMGP-4673-335-R (061) Lee County, Lift Stations, Infrastructure Retrofit (TB) - Global Match Donor

Location of Proposed Work:

The areas affected by this project consist of the following street locations:

| Lift Station # | Address | City, State, Zip |
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| LS Number: 0027 | 914 SOUTH TOWN AND RIVER DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 0032 | 6628 GRIFFIN BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0041 | 7310 POPHAM DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 0042 | 14849-1485 HOLE IN ONE CIR | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 0043 | 1640 S FLOSSMOOR RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 0045 | 1602 S MAYFAIR RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 0050 | 7771-7851 GLADIOLUS DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0053 | 7205 MAIDA LN | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0061 | 7341 GLADIOLUS DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0062 | 8582 SOUTH LAKE CIR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0063 | 14511 PINE LILY DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0067 | 15721 NEW HAMPSHIRE CT | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0068 | 8900 WOODGATE MANOR CT | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0078 | 8790 KING LEAR CT | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0081 | BEILLE MEADE DR RIGHT OF WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0083 | BAYBERRY BEND RIGHT OF WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0084 | 16257 WILLOWCREST WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0088 | 15261 CONVENIENCE WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0089 | 16241-257 WILLOWCREST WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0090 | 7665 VICTORIA COVE CT | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 0097 | 16700 BASS RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1102 | CRANES NEST CT RIGHT OF WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1104 | 15878/880 SUMMERLIN RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1109 | CROWN COLONY C/E | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1113 | 8277 SUMNER AVE | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1114 | 8704 COLONY TRACE DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |

| LS Number: 1117 | COASTAL KEY ACCESS UNDETERMINED | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
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| LS Number: 1122 | 16220 WINKLER RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1127 | HERITAGE HEIGHTS C/E | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1152 | SUMMERLIN COMMERCIAL CONDO C/E | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1158 | 15740 CATALPA COVE DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1170 | 15627 CALOOSA CREEK CIR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1176 | 7250 CONCOURSE DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1177 | 15655 HAGIE DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1178 | 15335 WALL DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1179 | 15281 SCHOOL ST | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 1191 | 17105/107 SAN CARLOS BLVD | FORT MYERS BEACH, FL 33931 |
| LS Number: 1192 | 19333 SUMMERLIN RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 2295 | 19111 SUMMERLIN RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 3360 | 6903 OLD WHISKEY CREEK DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 3394 | 5625 GOETZ DR | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 3395 | 5698 SHADDELEE LN W | FORT MYERS, FL 33919 |
| LS Number: 4414 | MERCHANDISE WAY RIGHT OF WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4430 | 5 VERANDAH BLVD C/E | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4431 | VERANDAH C/E | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4434 | THE SHOPS AT VERANDA RIGHT OF WAY | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4465 | 660 NUNA AVE | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4469 | 4844 GLENWOOD AVE | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4472 | 2227 DAVIS BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4477 | 13892 LAZY LN | FORT MYERS, FL 33905 |
| LS Number: 4489 | 11831 BAYSHORE RD | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33917 |
| LS Number: 4493 | OLD METRO PKWY | FORT MYERS, FL 33916 |
| LS Number: 6602 | 1751 LAKEVIEW BLVD | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6605 | 4703 RANDAG DR | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6612 | NORTH KEY DR RIGHT OF WAY | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6613 | 3479 HANCOCK BRIDGE PKWY | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6622 | 3911 ORANGE GROVE BLVD | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6623 | ORANGE GROVE BLVD ACCESS UNDETERMINED | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6626 | MANGROVE BAY C/E | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 6627 | 4520 RANDAG DR | NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33903 |
| LS Number: 7728 | 18091 PARKRIDGE CT | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 7732 | 7281 BARRAGAN RD | FORT MYERS, FL 33967 |
| LS Number: 7734 | 7021 CONSTITUTION BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33967 |
| LS Number: 7744 | 7008 CONSTITUTION BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33967 |
| LS Number: 7790 | 6880-6992 SHADOW CREAK BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: 7791 | 6820 SHADOW CREEK BLVD | FORT MYERS, FL 33908 |
| LS Number: FMB | 17155-211 PINE RIDGE RD | FORT MYERS BEACH, FL 33931 |

Proposed Work and Purpose:

The sanitary sewer collection system of Lee County operates on a system of lateral pipes from residences, businesses, and other structures flowing into gravity collection lines which convey sanitary sewer flow to lift stations. The lift stations pump the sanitary flow either to another lift station or through a common force main to a final wastewater treatment plant. Due to the nature of a gravity flow system, the lift stations are typically placed in a low-lying area. This leaves lift stations vulnerable to flooding and to storm surge. Listed above are the 67 lift stations included in this project which are located at elevations below the FEMA modeled base flood elevations. Several lift stations are at substantial risk of flooding. When inundated by water, the electrical control components are typically completely replaced due to the fragile nature of these systems.

The electrical components of the lift stations are typically severely impacted by flood waters and are the weakest portion of continuing operation of the lift station system. The proposed mitigation action is to prevent flood water or storm surge from interacting with these electrical components, greatly reducing the risk of damage due to flooding. With the proposed mitigation in place, in future events flood waters will not interfere with the continued operation of the lift station systems. This will ensure a greatly reduced risk of residents in the collection areas of the project lift stations losing the function of the sanitary system after a flood event.

The proposed project will utilize active methods to protect the electrical systems of the project lift stations. These lift station control panels will be replaced with submersible enclosures to provide protection from inundation of floodwater. The County proposes to use appropriately rated submersible enclosures, which would be certified to resist water intrusion during prolonged submersion.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are:

1) The No Action Alternative:

The project area experiences frequent and prolonged flooding due to rainfall and events. If no action is taken, the risk of flooding will remain and likely will be exacerbated by continuing changes to the climate including increased sea levels and more frequent/intense rainfall events. This will increase the duration, frequency, and depth of flooding in the area. Overall, this will result in more frequent and longer duration losses to sanitary sewer lift stations which are vital to maintaining the operation of the sanitary sewer system

2) Other Feasible Alternative:

The proposed alternative to reduce the potential for loss of function of the proposed lift stations would be to relocate the lift stations to higher elevation locations. This would require reconstructing a number of the lift stations in new locations, and rerouting gravity lines and forcemains to re-intercept the flow. By relocating the lift stations, the flood hazard is eliminated.

This option was not selected as it would be very expensive to implement. Each station would require the purchase of land, the excavation of a new wet well, new pumps, as well as the rerouting of gravity and forcemain lines which may require significant work in roadways and in resident's properties, and therefore not practicable.

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 the Florida Division of Emergency Management, Bureau of Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. These are due within 15 days of this notice December 29, 2025. The State will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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