

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for Collier County's Barefoot Beach Park repairs due to damages from Hurricane Irma (DR-4337-FL PW03483). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 6, 2017 for Hurricane Irma. 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 action located within the floodplain. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to locate this facility at its original location within the floodplain because the facility is functionally dependent upon its location within the floodplain.

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:** Collier County
- Project Title(s):** PA-04-FL-4337-PW-03483; 40562 - Barefoot Beach Boardwalks/Bathroom Building
- Location of Proposed Work:** 505 Barefoot Beach Road, Naples, FL 34134, (26.30857, -81.83662 to 26.28897, -81.83026).
- Floodplain:** The project is located in Zones VE & AE per Collier County FIRM Panel #12021C0187H dated 5/16/2012.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** Several facilities within Barefoot Beach Preserve County Park were damaged as a result of Hurricane Irma. The City plans to replace several areas of the park including: boardwalk handrails, lumber boards for butterfly garden planter, Learning Center Chickee thatch roof and ridge board, restroom facilities (lighting, drywall, fans, exit signs, shingles, and insulation), an aluminum canoe, plastic mailbox, emergency "R" locator signs, beach access ramps, Chickee concession components, and trash containers. No mitigation is proposed, but applicant will upgrade beach access ramps to meet ADA requirements. The proposed project will be conditioned for Endangered Species Act compliance and permits from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
- Project Alternatives:** The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible, as these facilities are necessary to provide a functional public park and provide access to the beach. Alternate locations were not considered as the park facilities are functionally dependent upon their location within the floodplain and near the beach.
- 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, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, calling 770-220-5432, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4337-PW-03483, Collier County at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.