Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the City of Floresville (City) has determined that the following proposed action under the Texas Department of Agriculture Community Development Program Contract #7218151 is located in the 100-year floodplain, and the City 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.

Project Description: Water improvements: Contractor shall increase the diameter of the water main to increase pressure and volume system-wide by installing 3,400 LF of 12" water main, boring, gate valves, service reconnections, associated appurtenances, to include administrative and engineering costs. Approximately .35 acres are located in Zone AE of the 100-Year Floodplain. This already-disturbed floodplain area will not be adversely affected from the project activities to replace water lines in place by pipe-bursting. The proposed project locations are: 5th Street, from D Street to Hwy 97; and on Hwy 97, from 5th Street to the hospital water plant on Hwy 97 @ 6th Street, Floresville, Wilson County, TX 78114.

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 floodplain, 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 City of Floresville at the following address on or before 3/21/19: City of Floresville, 1120 D Street, Floresville, TX 78114, (830) 391-1975, Attn: Henrietta Turner, City Manager. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9AM-4PM at the address above.

Date: 3/6/19