INITIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Sacramento County - House Elevation Program Phase 7 PDMC-PJ-09-CA-2019-010

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) intends to provide federal financial assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to Sacramento County, California, Department of Water Resources to mitigate flood risk from the Sacramento River and its tributaries. Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) and FEMA's implementing regulations at Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 9, FEMA hereby provides interested parties with a notice of its intent to carry out an action affecting a floodplain.

The purpose of the proposed action is to elevate up to 15 residential structures above the base flood elevation in the communities of Hood, Franklin Pond, Sutter Island, Beachstone Lake, and Sacramento. The existing residential structures are in the 100-year floodplain of the Sacramento River and are susceptible to damage during flood events. The project areas are covered by Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) Number 06067C0410H effective June 18, 2010; 060067C0415 effective August 16, 2012; 06067C0450H effective August 16, 2012; 06067C0285H effective August 16, 2012; and 06067C0295H effective August 16, 2012. The FIRMs show that the project areas lie within Zone AE, an area with a 1-percent probability of flooding every year and where predicted floodwater elevations have been established.

The scope of activities at each residence would involve separating the house from its foundation, bracing and lifting the house, resting it on timber cribbing, constructing the foundation and stem walls to support the raised house, lowering it onto its new support walls or piers, and constructing stairs and decking necessary for access. Trees and any environmentally sensitive areas would be marked for avoidance during construction, and staging would occur in driveways or on surface streets adjacent to each home.

Maps of the project areas and their locations within the floodplain are available for public inspection. All parties interested in receiving a copy of the map should contact the FEMA Region IX Environmental Officer at the address or phone number below. Additional information about FEMA's proposed action may be obtained by writing the FEMA Region IX Environmental Officer at FEMA, 1111 Broadway, Suite 1200, Oakland, California 94607; fema-rix-ehp-documents@fema.dhs.gov; or calling (510) 627-7027.