

# **FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE**

Town of Cramerton has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Program funding through North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM) as a sub- recipient.

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, and to provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

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.

**Sub-Applicant:** Town of Cramerton

**Project Title:** 149565- APP CERT Bridge Decking Damage; PA-04-NC-4543-PW-00039

**Location of Proposed Work:**

Facility	Address	Latitude	Longitude	Date of Construction
Goat Island Park Bridge	141 8th Ave, Cramerton, NC 28032	35.23867	-81.07014	Approximately 2012

**Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:**

This project is for the repair of a pedestrian and light vehicular bridge in Goat Island Park . All work is located in an AE zone (1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard) and floodway (the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas). Confirmation of location in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) was determined by the Gaston County Flood Insurance Rate Map, Panel Number: 3710358400J, dated 9/28/2007. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of North Carolina and local floodplain regulations. There is a potential for the facility to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the AE zone and floodway. 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:**

The Town of Cramerton removed and replaced damaged bridge decking in kind to pre-disaster condition and function. Minimization measures were implemented by repairing the bridge with 8 self tapping deck screws per board to prevent similar damages in the future. The purpose of this work is restore the use of the bridge for pedestrians and light vehicles to be able to access recreational facilities located on Goat Island.

**Project Alternatives:**

**Alternative #1** (No action): The Goat Island Bridge serves as one of the two ways to get on to Goat Island. Without repairs, navigation for pedestrians and light vehicles will cease, limiting access to recreational activities as well as an additional emergency exit from Goat Island.

**Alternative #2** (Repair in-kind): Repairing the bridge without minimization measures may result in similar damages from future events at Goat Island Park. If similar damages occur again, navigation from the park would be interrupted.

**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:

FEMA Internal 11988 Reviewer  
FEMA Region 4  
3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road  
Atlanta, Georgia, 30341

Alternatively, comments may be emailed to: [FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov). Please send comments with the subject line [DR-4543-NC-00039 11988 COMMENT].

All comments are due by no later than 30 days of the posted date of this notice.

**POSTED ON:** November 9th, 2020

**End of Notice**