

# FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Scotland County has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) funding through the North Carolina Emergency Management Agency (NCEMA) 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 to 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.

**Applicant:** Scotland County

**Project Title:** DR-4393, PN 81741: Scotland County Administration Building & Courthouse Annex Building

## Location of Proposed Work:

**Name of Structure:** See Table

**Address of Structure:** See Table, Scotland County, NC

A map showing the location of all properties is available by contacting:

[FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov)

| Facility                                  | Address                                       | Latitude | Longitude | Date of Construction                     |
|---|---|----------|-----------|--|
| Scotland County Courthouse Annex Building | 231 E. Cronly Street, Laurinburg, NC 28352    | 34.77439 | -79.45978 | 1975, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |
| Scotland County Administration Building   | 507 W. Covington Street, Laurinburg, NC 28352 | 34.77258 | -79.46937 | 1966, not eligible for inclusion in NRHP |

**Special Flood Hazard Area Zone (SFHA):** This project is for the repair to roof damage and repair and replacement of interior features to two county government buildings located in flood zone unshaded X (0.2% annual chance flood elevation). Confirmation of location in a SFHA was made by reference to the latest Flood Insurance Rate Map Panels 3710836700K dated 07/07/2014 and 3710835700J dated 06/17/2003. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of North Carolina and local floodplain regulations. The proposed work will be limited to the existing

buildings and have no effect on the local floodplain. The proposed work has the potential to be affected due to its location in an SFHA. The action will be mitigated by protecting all interior features to the 0.2% annual chance flood elevation for critical actions.

**Proposed Work and Purpose:**

Scotland County is requesting funds to repair and replace in-kind, damages caused by surface ground water flooding and wind driven rain and to purchase portable 48” flood dam barriers for all exterior doors for two public buildings. The purpose of this project is to repair public buildings to pre-disaster condition and protect the buildings from future impacts from flooding.

**Project Alternatives:**

**Alternative #1** (no action alternative): If no action is taken to protect the door openings of these two public facilities, it will increase the danger of impact from surface water flooding during a severe weather event.

**Alternative #2:** Relocating structures outside of the SFHA was evaluated. The cost to relocate or acquire and demolish these buildings is significantly greater than the cost to repair in-kind to pre-disaster conditions and mitigate future flood damages by purchase and use of portable 48” flood dam barriers for all exterior doors.

**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  
3003 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-4393-NC-01041 11988 COMMENT].

All comments are due by no later than 15 days of the posted date of this notice.

**POSTED ON:** July 30, 2019

**End of Notice**