

# FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for San Mateo County, CA. Pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 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 Grant Program (PA).

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice for DR-4683-CA was published September 11, 2023. 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.

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. EO 11988 and EO 11990 requires FEMA to consider alternatives and provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 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).

This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to fund exterior repairs to the damaged 54-inch culvert to restore it and the impacted area of Canada Road back to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity within the existing footprint per applicable codes and standards. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements. There is a potential for the facility to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the Flood Zone D. The proposed work will 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.

**Applicant: San Mateo County**

**Project Title: PW 00492; GM 713312; San Mateo County Canada Road Culvert**

**Location of Proposed Work and Floodplain Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panels:**

Facility	GPS	FIRM Panels	FIRM Date
Canada Road Culvert	(37.47944, -122.311569)	06081C0285E	10/16/2012

**Proposed Work and Purpose:** Storm water run-off from upstream of an unnamed intermittent drainage backed up against Canada Road and washed-out fill supporting the culvert, destroying a 19-ft. section of Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) Culvert under the road. Applicant will remove and replace 16-feet of a temporary 42" culvert pipe with a 54" culvert as originally designed at GPS (37.47945, -122.31157). The proposed repairs would remove the 42" CMP culvert and

replace with a 54" CMP to bring the culvert back to its original size and capacity. The applicant will utilize contract and force account for exterior repairs to restore the culvert and impacted area of Canada Road back to its pre-disaster design, function, and capacity within the existing footprint per applicable codes and standards. The proposed work to be completed will include: 1) Clearing and grubbing 0.48 acres; 2) Removing and replacing CMP culvert; 3) Replacing 88.9 CY of backfill around culvert; 4) Installing two wingwalls on each side of the headwall; 5) Placing concrete below Ordinary High Water Mark for wingwalls; 6) Stabilizing a sinkhole with structural backfill; 7) Sowing and seeding with native plant mix; 8) Removing and replacing 41 LF barbed wire fence. Changes for mitigation or minimization measures include the wingwalls described above and base support. The project proposes mitigation; repair in kind and minimization are not practicable in alternatives described below. The purpose of repairs is to restore long-lasting use or services provided by the road and its supporting drainage features.

**Project Alternatives:**

- (1) *(No Action)* This alternative would result in a continued disruption of services afforded by the road with concomitant risk of additional damages to personal and public vehicular property in attempts to use the road in its current condition. Further, it would increase a risk of excluding emergency access to critical facilities supported by the road. If the damage is not repaired and service is not restored, then adverse economic and social impacts may occur and continued negative impacts may be experienced.
- (2) *(Repair in-kind)* Repairs made in kind may result in similar damages from future flood events.
- (3) *(Relocation)* Floodplain avoidance by relocating the facility is not a practicable alternative as relocation of the facility outside the floodplain is neither feasible nor practicable; additionally, relocating the roads could adversely impact the communities serviced by these routes.

**Comments:** This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA Public Assistance program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 9, 1111 Broadway #1200, Oakland, CA 94607, or by emailing [FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov) . Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line "PW 00492; GM 713312; San Mateo County Canada Road Culvert" at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

**THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15th DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING.**

**NOTICE WAS POSTED ON 2 DAY OF October 2024**

**\*\*\*END OF NOTICE\*\*\***