

## Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100 Year Floodplain & Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Marengo County Commission has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order(s) 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under ADECA's CDBG Program DR-21-007. The proposed project(s) is located at addresses in McKinley, Marengo. Under this project, WDMA will install approximately 15 miles of PVC water main along AL Highway 66 and County Roads 38, 63, and 65; construct a 150,000-gallon elevated storage tank; build a booster-pump station with automatic transfer switch and diesel standby generator; and connect the new grid to the Thomaston water system for redundancy.

Marengo County Commission has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values: Direct and Indirect Impacts; Proposed Mitigation. The proposed project is not anticipated to result in any known significant direct or indirect adverse impacts to the applicable resource areas. Direct impacts associated with project implementation are expected to be minimal and limited to the immediate project footprint. Indirect impacts, including those that may occur later in time or farther removed in distance from the project site, are likewise not expected to be significant. At this time, no probable adverse impacts have been identified that would require project-specific mitigation measures. The applicant will ensure that all project activities are carried out in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local environmental requirements. Should any previously unidentified impacts be discovered during project advancement, appropriate coordination will occur and any necessary mitigation measures will be undertaken in accordance with agency guidance and permitting requirements.

Marengo County Commission has reevaluated the alternatives to building in the 100 Year Floodplain & Wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of 8 Step Process, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in a 100 Year Floodplain & Wetland 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. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about 100 Year Floodplain & Wetland 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 100 Year Floodplain & Wetland, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Marengo County Commission at the following address on or before **4/3/2026**: Marengo County Commission, 101 E Coats Avenue, Linden, AL 36748-1500 and 334-295-2200, Attention: Jason Windham, Chairman. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at 101 E Coats Avenue, Linden, AL 36748-1500 and [www.marengocountyal.com](http://www.marengocountyal.com). Comments may also be submitted via email at [marengogrants@alabamacounties.org](mailto:marengogrants@alabamacounties.org).

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