

**JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL
PUBLIC NOTICE**

April 25, 2025

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and Florida Division of Emergency Management have received the following application for Federal grant funding. Final notice is hereby given of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) consideration to provide funding in the form of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Funds will be provided in accordance with Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended.

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 public notice of, any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands.

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:

Tohopekalliga Water Authority

Project Title:

HMGP-4673-0215-R Tohopekalliga Water Authority, Portable and Wastewater Facilities

Location of Proposed Work:

The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations: Lift Station (LS) 17P serves homes in an area contained approximately within the boundaries of Laurel Avenue, Marigold Avenue, and Cypress Parkway Street.

Proposed Work and Purpose:

An emergency bypass pump will replace an aging generator at the project site to provide reliable emergency power that will enable continuity of operations in the event of a power loss event at LS-17P located at the intersection of San Remo and Hunter Roads. This is accomplished by using a pumping system (bypass pump with fuel storage) not reliant on the electric service provider for power. The bypass pump automatically initiates operation with a high-water level in the lift stations when the normally operating pumps are non-operable due to loss of power.

The replacement project will be advertised for bids and awarded to the lowest responsive contractor bid. The contractor will remove the existing generator and electrical equipment and install the new bypass pump at an elevation above the 100-year flood elevation. The installation will be performed by a licensed contractor with an oversight from a licensed engineer.

Project Alternatives:

Alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) taking no action and 2) yearly rental of the bypass pump. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) emergency power will not be reliable and will result in an increased probability of failure to provide wastewater service to the community during and following a hurricane event and Alternative 2) long term rental of a bypass pump is not a cost-efficient option.

Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state, and 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 the Florida Division of Emergency Management, Bureau of Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. Comments are due within 15 days of this notice. The State will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, and/or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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