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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for Baldwin County on Behalf of applicant (Homeowner) for property located at 4431 Ono North Drive, Orange Beach, Alabama 36561. Notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP DR-4563).

This notice serves as a project-specific notice for FEMA's funding action located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to fund the proposed elevation of structure(s). 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. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Responsible Entity: FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Applicant: Baldwin County Emergency Management Agency on Behalf of the sub-applicant Richard Norton

Project Title(s): Elevation of Property Located at 4431 Ono North Drive, Orange Beach, Alabama 36531

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

Site(s) Name	GPS Coordinates	FIRM Panel
4431 Ono North Drive Orange Beach, Alabama 36561	30°17'24"N 87°30'13"W	Panel # 967 of 1100 Map # 0150000967M https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search

FIRM Panel effective date: 04/19/2019. Site is located within a Zone AE mapped floodplain. Site(s) are located within or adjacent to wetlands. [<https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/Mapper.html>]

Proposed Work and Purpose: To elevate a single-family residential property at 4431 Ono North Drive, Orange Beach, Alabama 36561 to reduce/eliminate the threat of future flooding, protecting lives and property from loss/damage/injury.

Furthermore, this project aligns with the Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Baldwin County Community Action Program, Page 171, Section 2.3 and 2.3.2. Building Elevation.

Project Alternatives:

(1) *Elevation of house outside of the base flood elevation* – Elevation of the house outside of the base flood elevation Zone AE would not be possible because the homeowner property boundaries do not exceed the base flood elevation Zone AE. Additionally, this alternative would not eliminate or minimize the flood water surrounding the house and would still present a life safety issue for when rescue teams and first responders are trying to access the house.

(2) *No action alternative* – This alternative is not feasible as the residential property has experienced repetitive flooding resulting in substantive damage. Additionally, due to the amount of flooding around the property, first responders are hindered to access the property without a swift water rescue team resulting a concern for life safety.

Comments: This will serve as both the initial and final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA FMA program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing FEMA.R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing or email with the subject line HMGP DR 4563-005 Balwin County Elevation Application at the above addresses within 30 days of the date of this notice.

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FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING**

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