

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources. 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-4724-HI was published on August 10, 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 the repair of two range (i.e., navigation) lights, damages to the seawall, and replacement of two pump-outs and plastic fenders on the main loading pier at Lahaina Harbor. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements. There is a potential for the range lights, seawall and pump-outs/fenders to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the VE-12 and AE-9 Zones. The proposed work will not 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: State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources

Project Title: PW 00075; GM 746058; DOBOR - HARBOR - Front & Rear Range Lights & Main Loading Pier

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

Facility	GPS	FIRM Panels	FIRM Date
Rear Range Light	20.872712, -156.678494	1500030361F	9/19/2019
Front Range Light	20.872438, -156.678772	1500030361F	9/19/2019
Damaged sea wall	20.872461, -156.678727	1500030361F	9/19/2019
Pier pump outs (2) and fenders	20.87185, -156.67882	1500030361F	9/19/2019

Proposed Work and Purpose: All damages described below were occasioned by the high winds (80 mph) and intense fire that characterized the Lahaina Wildfire event. Four elements to the harbor experienced damage during the event: 1) the front range light pole (15ft by 9in diameter), plywood day board and access ladder were destroyed; 2) the plywood day board and access ladder were damaged on the rear range pole, 3) a 12ft by 8ft by 4ft section of the stone seawall was damaged; and 4) two sewage pump outs on the main pier loading dock were damaged. The applicant proposes to repair all damages in kind to their pre-disaster condition and footprint. According to the scope of work, the repairs to the seawall will not include any changes in dimensions, including the portions of seawall within the existing footprint of the structure. No work in water.

Project Alternatives:

- (1) *(No Action)* This alternative would result in an unacceptable risk to navigation in Lahaina Harbor if the range lights are not replaced and an unnecessary risk of pollution to the harbor if the pump-outs are not replaced. If the damage is not repaired/service not restored, then adverse economic and social impacts may occur and continued negative impacts may be experienced.
- (2) *(Repair in-kind or Repair with Minimization)* Repairs made in kind may result in similar damages from future flood events. OR Minimization measures were not practicable due to the requirement to maintain current elevations to retain their original functionality. It should also be noted that the current damages to these structures and facilities were not caused by flooding.
- (3) *(Relocation)* Floodplain avoidance by relocating the facilities and structures is not a practicable alternative as all elements of the proposed Undertaking are functionally dependent on their current location to serve the harbor.

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 . Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line "DOBOR - HARBOR - Front & Rear Range Lights & Main Loading Pier" 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 THE 8th DAY OF JULY 2024

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