

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for a facility located at 3000 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky, in Daviess County. Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP).

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. - Executive Order (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).

President Biden issued new Executive Orders 13985 and 14048 in January 2021 to further address the need to achieve environmental justice and equity across the federal government. The issuance of the new executive orders more than 20 years after Executive Order 12898 was signed indicates the administration's directive to federal agencies to renew their energy, effort, resources and attention to environmental justice. FEMA is working with applicants/sub-applicants to identify communities with Environmental Justice concerns and provide an avenue for local groups and non-profits with an Environmental Justice mission to self-identify so that FEMA Programs can start to work with them on specific projects from the beginning of the application process.

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 security improvements located within the Special Flood Hazard Area prior to the event. 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: Kentucky Office of Homeland Security

Applicant: Owensboro KY Wesleyan College

Project Title(s): Owensboro KY Wesleyan College

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

Site Name	GPS Coordinates or Address	FIRM Panel
Owensboro KY Wesleyan College	3000 Frederica St., Owensboro, KY	FIRM 21059CO276D

Panel effective 4/16/2009. Site is located within regulatory SFHA, Zone AE. Site is not located within or adjacent to wetlands.

Proposed Work and Purpose: Installation of cameras on buildings throughout Wesleyan College Campus

Project Alternatives:

- (1) *Relocation of facilities outside of the floodplain* – The facility is an established campus. Relocating the whole campus or part of the campus would not be practicable. Floodplain avoidance by relocating the facility is not a practicable alternative and would adversely impact the campus community.
- (2) *No action alternative* – This alternative is not feasible as the repairs are necessary to ensure that the facility and the campus community have increased safety from potential adversary attacks. With the no action alternative, continued negative risks may be experienced.

Comments: This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA NSGP. 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 with the subject line "Owensboro KY Wesleyan College" at the above addresses 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

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