

## FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for Collier County repairs to Museum of the Everglades and surrounding property due to damages in Hurricane Irma (DR-4337-FL PW-05056). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for projects under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published October 6, 2017 for Hurricane Irma. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within the floodplain.

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 Public Assistance (PA) Program
- Applicant:** Collier County
- Project Title(s):** PA-04-FL-4337-PW-05718, 31799 – Museum of the Everglades
- Location of Proposed Work:** 25.857158 N Latitude, 81.385932 W Longitude
- Floodplain:** Project locations are located in the AE Zone, otherwise 100-year floodplain, per the Collier County FIRM map #12021C1085H, dated 05/16/2012.
- Proposed Work and Purpose:** Collier County made repairs to electrical components, flooring, HVAC system, doors, lighting elements, planters, signage, and replaced contents at the Museum of the Everglades. Irreplaceable artifacts and documents are removed from the property to be stored as a minimization measure.
- Project Alternatives:** The alternative that has been considered is the no action alternative. This alternative is not feasible as the area will remain vulnerable to flood risk, including property damage. Alternate locations were not considered as relocating the facility outside of the floodplain is not feasible and may risk loss of the Museum's National Register of Historic Places listing. The Museum of the Everglades supports the Naples community by providing an educational and historical experience to residents and visitors. Relocation may adversely impact social or economic resources for the community.
- Comments:** This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA 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, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341 or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line FL-4337-PW-05718, Collier County at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.