

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard, as the federal lead agency, and in cooperation with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANY&NJ), hereby advises of the dates for public scoping meetings to be held in conjunction with preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the replacement of the Goethals Bridge. A Notice of Intent published in the **Federal Register** on August 10, 2004, announced that hearings would be held; however, dates for the scoping meetings were not finalized at that time. Public scoping meetings will be held in Staten Island, New York and Elizabeth, New Jersey, on October 5 and 6, 2004, respectively.

DATES: Public scoping meetings will be held in Staten Island, New York and Elizabeth, New Jersey, on October 5 and 6, 2004, respectively.

ADDRESSES: The October 5, 2004, meetings will be held at the Staten Island Hotel, Harbor Room and Ballroom, located at 1415 Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, New York 10314. The October 6, 2004, meetings will be held at the City of Elizabeth City Hall, in the Council Chambers on the Third Floor, located at 50 Winfield Scott Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gary Kassof, Bridge Program Manager at Commander (obr), First Coast Guard District Battery Building, One South Street, New York, NY 10004-1466 or at (212) 668-7021.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of public scoping meetings is published in accordance with the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality at 40 CFR 1506.6.

The U.S. Coast Guard, as the lead Federal agency for the oversight of the Environmental Impact Statement to be prepared for the Goethals Bridge replacement project, is teamed with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANY&NJ). The U.S. Coast Guard, with the cooperation of PANY&NJ, will hold public scoping meetings regarding this project. These meetings seek to involve the public in preparing and implementing NEPA procedures.

Meetings will be held on October 5 and 6, 2004, with two separate sessions each day. A formal presentation will be given during each of the sessions. The schedule and location is as follows. On October 5, 2004, the meetings will be held at the Staten Island Hotel, Harbor Room and Ballroom, located at 1415 Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, New York 10314. The two sessions include an afternoon session and an evening session. The afternoon session will start

at 2 p.m. and end at 5 p.m., with a formal presentation at 2:30 p.m. The evening session will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. with formal presentation at 6 p.m.

On October 6, 2004, the meetings will be held at the City of Elizabeth City Hall, in the Council Chambers on the third Floor, located at 50 Winfield Scott Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201. The two sessions include an afternoon session and an evening session. The afternoon session will start at 2 p.m. and end at 5 p.m., with a formal presentation at 2:30 p.m. The evening session will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. with formal presentation at 6 p.m.

Dated: September 17, 2004.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1549-DR]

Alabama; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Alabama (FEMA-1549-DR), dated September 15, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 23, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Alabama is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of September 15, 2004:

Barbour, Blount, Bullock, Calhoun, Clay, Cullman, Dale, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Lamar, Lawrence, Lee, Macon, Marshall, Marion, Pike, St. Clair, Tallapoosa, Walker, and Winston Counties for Individual Assistance.

Autauga, Bibb, Chilton, Choctaw, Coosa, Dallas, Elmore, Greene, Hale, Jefferson,

Lowndes, Marengo, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, and Wilcox Counties for Individual Assistance (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A & B) under the Public Assistance Program including direct Federal assistance, at 100 percent Federal funding of the total eligible costs for a period of up to 72 hours.)

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050, Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program)

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1545-DR]

Florida; Amendment No. 7 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Florida (FEMA-1545-DR), dated September 4, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 23, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Florida is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of September 4, 2004:

Alachua, Brevard, Clay, Gilchrist, Nassau, Pasco, Putnam, and Sumter Counties for (Categories C-G) under the Public Assistance