

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received the subgrant application for the Broward County Aviation-Engineer Material Arresting System (EMAS) West End due to damages from the Florida Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding (DR-4709-FL PW 00009 PN 724815). 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 May 18, 2023, for the Florida Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding. 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. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to repair this facility at its original location because the facility provides transportation resources for the surrounding community. The Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport serves the community, who will benefit from the proposed action.

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:	Broward County
Project Title(s):	PA-04-FL-4709-PW-00009 (GM PN 724815) Aviation-Engineer Material Arresting System (EMAS) West End
Location of Proposed Work:	GPS (26.07698, -80.16712)
Floodplain/Wetlands:	Project is located in an AH Zone per Broward County FIRM Panel Number 12011C0558H, dated 08/18/2014. 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.
Proposed Work and Purpose:	The applicant will reset and recoat 248 engineered material arresting systems (EMAS) blocks and remove and replace 74 EMAS blocks on the airport runway to pre-disaster condition. The project will restore these systems for runway safety and transportation use for the community.
Project Alternatives:	FEMA has considered the no-action alternative, as required by Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations and has determined it is impracticable as the facility serves as a major transportation hub for the surrounding community. The no action alternative would adversely impact the safety of airport operations. No alternative locations were considered, as relocation is impracticable and there were no technically feasible and cost-effective add-on mitigation opportunities.

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, 3005 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP-FLORIDA@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line, "FL-4709-PW-00009 PN 724815 Aviation-Engineer Material Arresting System (EMAS) West End" 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 5TH DAY OF APRIL 2024

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