

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency**  
**In accordance with 44 CFR §9.8 for Executive Order 11988 and EO 11990**  
**Town of Carmel Generator Installations**  
**Carmel, Putnam County, New York**

Notification is hereby given to the public of the intent of the Department of Homeland Security-Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) to provide federal funding to the Town of Carmel as subrecipient for the for the installation of six (6) diesel powered emergency generators to support six (6) pump stations in Putnam County, New York through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). The purpose of HMGP is for communities to develop hazard mitigation plans and rebuild in a way that reduces, or mitigates, future disaster losses. This notification is given in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 11988 (Floodplain Management), EO 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), 44 CFR Part 9, regulations for implementing EOs 11988 & 11990, and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

The proposed scope of work consists of replacing four existing generators (4) and installing two (2) new emergency generators, including automatic transfer switches and associated utilities to support the existing pump stations, and elevating the proposed generators located in the Special Flood Hazard Area to the base flood elevation (BFE), as indicated by best available flood map data, plus at least three (3) feet of freeboard for this Critical Action. Installing and elevating the generators will allow for continuous power through an electrical outage during a flood event.

Two (2) of the six (6) pump stations are in the 100-year floodplain and intersect mapped wetlands. Alternatives considered include: 1) no action, 2) the proposed alternative to replace four (4) and install two (2) new emergency generators, 3) purchasing portable generators. FEMA has determined that replacing and installing diesel-powered emergency generators to support the existing pump stations is the best alternative to allow for the continuity of operations for critical facilities. Potential floodplain and wetland impacts are anticipated to be temporary during construction and minimized through best management practices and conservation measures incorporated from resource agency recommendations and required regulatory permits.

Comments about this project, potential alternatives, and floodplain impacts may be submitted in writing within 15 days of the date of this publication to: FEMA Region 2, Attn: Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY, 10278 or via email to [FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov). If substantive comments are received, FEMA will evaluate and address the comments as part of the environmental documentation for this project.