

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of Availability of Tiered Site-Specific Environmental Assessment for  
Coney Island Creek Shoreline Project  
Brooklyn, Kings County, New York  
FEMA-4480-DR-NY**

Notification is hereby given to the public of the intent of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide federal financial assistance to the New York City Department of Small Business Services (NYCSBS) as Subapplicant for the replacement and improvement of flood protection infrastructure along the shoreline of Coney Island in Kings County, New York. The Proposed Action includes the construction of new bulkhead, removal of existing bulkhead, and the installation of new rip rap revetment at five sites along the southern shore of Coney Island Creek through Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funds. The purpose of the HMGP is to provide financial assistance to state, local, tribal, and territorial governments so they can implement hazard mitigation measures that reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future disasters. The Proposed Action consists of the installation of 3,336 feet of shoreline protection measures along the southern shore of Coney Island Creek at five sites, which will raise the existing grade one to two feet to an elevation of seven feet. The protection measures consist of replacing existing bulkheads with a combination of new steel cantilevered or anchored bulkheads and stone riprap revetments. The purpose of the project is to reduce risks associated with tidal flooding and storm surges on the south shore of Coney Island Creek, which is a flood-prone area due to its low-lying topography. Flooding leads to damaged roads and structures and limits the mobility of residents and businesses of the local area by impeding transportation and access to jobs, health care services, and schools. The enhanced shoreline will mitigate against flood damage in the communities directly upland of Coney Island Creek.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a Tiered Site-Specific Environmental Assessment (TSSEA) has been prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action on the human environment. FEMA's requirement of addressing floodplain management and wetlands protection in accordance with 44 CFR Part 9 is incorporated within the TSSEA. The TSSEA is available for public comment, with contact information provided below.

The TSSEA can be viewed in hard copy at the Coney Island Library, 1901 Mermaid Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11224 and online via the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) website at <https://edc.nyc/project/coney-island-creek> as well as FEMA's website <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/environmental-historic/nepa-repository>.

The comment period will end 30 days after the date of publication on both FEMA and NYCEDC's websites listed above. Written comments on the TSSEA can be mailed or e-mailed to the contact below. If no substantive comments are received, the TSSEA will become final, and FEMA will sign a Finding of No Significant Impact. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in any final documents. Contact: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 2, Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation, 26 Federal Plaza, Suite 1802, New York, NY 10278, or via email at [FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov).