

Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain and Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the City of Uhland (City) has determined that the following proposed action under the Texas General Land Office CDBG Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program, GLO Contract # 22-085-015-D246, is partially located in the 100-Year Floodplain and Riverine Wetlands and the City will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and wetlands and the potential impacts on the floodplain and wetlands from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990 in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

Project Description: Construct a detention pond, replace box culverts, and implement channel improvements and widen existing channels and ditches, and complete associated appurtenances at the following locations in Uhland, Hays and Caldwell Counties, TX 78640: Site 1 POCO LOCO DRAINAGE: at SH-21 on the east side of 9771 Camino Real Road (Poco Loco Supermercado) and on the west side of 9865 Camino Real Road; work continues underground, out-falling to Plum Creek (29.958836, -97.784914). Site 4 East Drainage Channel: approximately 430 feet from S Old Spanish Trail @ Paseo De Perez (29.960128, -97.781660), 130 LF. Site 5 Middle Drainage Channel: from the existing box on SH-21, at S Old Spanish Trail @ Seeliger Drive, 511 feet generally south along the existing drainage channel to Plum Creek (29.957742, -97.785168), 510 LF. Site 6 Summer Sun Cove Channel: from 1,460 feet NW of Summer Sun Cove @ Cotton Gin Road, SE to Cotton Gin Road existing culvert, to just downstream of the road (29.96224, -97.79019), 1,500 LF. Site 7 Camino Real Road (SH-21) Drainage: from the existing drainage ditch on the NE side of the driveway of 9771 Camino Real Road (Poco Loco Supermercado), 850 feet SW along the existing drainage channel on Camino Real Road (SH-21) to the bridge 230 feet SW of Cotton Gin Road @ Camino Real Road (SH-21), (29.95783, -97.7863), 859 LF.

Approximately 0.93-acres of work will occur in the 100-Year Floodplain in Zones A and AE. Approximately .45-acres of work will occur in Riverine Wetlands. A USACE Nationwide Permit 14, Linear Transportation Projects, will be obtained for construction. There will be no natural and beneficial values potentially adversely affected by the activities, as they will facilitate storm water drainage.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and wetlands, and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment, should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain and wetland, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the City of Uhland at the following address on or before 1/22/24: City of Uhland, 15 N. Old Spanish Trail, Uhland, TX 78640, Attn: Mayor's Office. (512) 398-7399. A full description of the project will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to the address stated above or by email to city@uhlandtx.us.

Date: 1/5/24