

**Federal Emergency Management Agency
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Village of Corrales Salce Basin Improvements Project, Sandoval County, New Mexico
HMGP-DR-4079-NM PROJECT #3

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Village of Corrales has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), through the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program provides grants to states and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures that reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster.

FEMA proposes to provide funding to the Village of Corrales for improvements within the Salce Basin that would reduce flood risk to residential properties and roadways such as Calle de Blas, Calle Blanca, Sagebrush Drive, and Loma del Oro. The project would include the installation of storm drain pipes; construction of retention ponds; and re-grading and re-paving of roadways in Corrales, New Mexico.

A draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action and alternatives on the human and natural environment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Council for Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500 – 1508), the National Historic Preservation Act, Executive Order 11988, Executive Order 11990, and the implementing regulations of FEMA (44 CFR Parts 9 and 10). The draft EA evaluates alternatives that provide for compliance with applicable environmental laws. The alternatives evaluated include (1) no action; (2) the proposed action described above.

The draft EA is available for review and comment at Village Hall located at 4324 Corrales Road Corrales, NM 87048, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday from September 21, 2015 to October 21, 2015. An electronic version of the draft EA can be requested from Sarah Carrino, FEMA Region 6, at sarah.carrino@fema.dhs.gov or viewed on FEMA's website at <https://www.fema.gov/library> or on the Village's website at <http://www.corrales-nm.org/>.

The comment period will end 30 days from the initial notice publication date. Written comments on the draft EA can be mailed, emailed, or faxed to Sarah Carrino, Environmental Specialist, FEMA Region 6, 800 N Loop 288, Denton, TX 76209, Fax: 940-297-0152; sarah.carrino@fema.dhs.gov. If no substantive comments are received, the draft EA will become final and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will be issued for the project. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.