

**Federal Emergency Management Agency  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and  
Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)  
for the West Dietz Creek Drainage Improvement Project, City of Schertz, Texas  
FEMA-1257-DR-TX**

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is proposing to assist in the funding of the West Dietz Creek Drainage Improvement Project in the City of Schertz, Texas. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), Executive Order 11988, Executive Order 11990, and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared to assess the potential impacts of the Proposed Action on the human and natural environment. The EA was released for public comment on August 5, 2002. No public comments were received. Therefore, the Environmental Assessment has been finalized and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been made. This also provides public notice for work within the regulated floodplain, in accordance with Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12.

The reasons for the decision not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) are as follows:

1. No significant adverse environmental impacts have been identified to existing land use, water resources (surface water, groundwater, waters of the United States, wetlands, and floodplains), air quality, noise, biological resources (vegetation, fish and wildlife, state and Federally listed threatened or endangered species and critical habitats), safety, hazardous materials and waste, cultural resources, or result in disproportionately high or adverse effects on minority or low-income populations, and;
2. The project is necessary to meet the needs of the citizens of the existing local community.

No further environmental review of this project is proposed to be conducted prior to the release of FEMA funds.

Copies of the final EA and FONSI can be obtained by contacting:

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The final EA and FONSI are also available on the World Wide Web on the FEMA website <http://www.fema.gov/mit/ep/assess.htm>. Copies will be available for viewing at the Schertz Public Library, 608 Schertz Parkway, City of Schertz, Texas 78154.