

Federal Emergency Management Agency

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment
For Village of North Lewisburg Storm Shelter/Community Support Center
Champaign County, Ohio**

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Village of North Lewisburg Storm Shelter/Community Support Center, Champaign County, Ohio PDMC-PJ-05-OH-2007-003.

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing to assist in the funding of storm shelter / community support center at 77 East Street in the Village of North Lewisburg to provide shelter for residents of North Lewisburg and the surrounding area during severe weather events. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an EA is being prepared to assess the potential impacts of each of the proposed alternatives on the human and natural environment. This also provides public notice to invite public comments on the proposed project in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands. In addition, this notice and the draft EA provide information to the public on potential impacts to historic and cultural resources from the proposed undertaking, as outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

The draft EA is available for review between April 22, 2009 and May 21, 2009 at the Champaign County Public Library, North Lewisburg Branch, 161 Winder Street, North Lewisburg, Ohio 43060 and the Village of North Lewisburg Municipal Building, 60 East Maple Street, North Lewisburg, Ohio 43060 during normal hours of operation. The draft EA is also available for review online at the FEMA website <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region5.shtm>.

Written comments regarding this environmental action should be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 21, by Amanda C. Ratliff, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA, 536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521, or at Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov.

If no substantive comments are received by the above deadline, the draft EA and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will become final and be published by FEMA. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

The public may request a copy of the final environmental documents from Amanda C. Ratliff at the address listed above.