

**FEMA PUBLIC NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS
ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS
EPIPHANY SCHOOL AND ST. PHILLIP COMMUNITY CENTER
ALTERNATE PROJECT
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

The Department of Homeland Security and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) have established Alternative Arrangements (AA) to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and CEQ regulations for implementing the procedural requirements of NEPA, for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grants to reconstruct critical infrastructure in the New Orleans Metropolitan Area (Federal Register, Vol. 71, No. 56, p. 14712, March 23, 2006).

Interested parties are hereby notified that FEMA has determined that the alternate project for the alternate project for Epiphany School and St. Phillip Community Center qualifies for expedited NEPA review under the AA guidelines. The City of New Orleans has prepared and submitted an application to FEMA for funding under FEMA's Public Assistance Program being administered in response to FEMA-1603-DR-LA. The Presidential Disaster Declaration, for this event was signed on August 29, 2005.

Storm-force winds and flooding associated with Hurricane Katrina caused extensive damage to facilities at Epiphany Catholic School, located at 1959 Duel St., in New Orleans, LA, and the St. Phillip Community Center, located at 3333 Clouet St., in New Orleans, LA. The Holy Roman Catholic Church, Archdiocese of New Orleans, (hereafter Applicant), applied for, and was approved for federal funding under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to repair or replace these facilities. The applicant has determined, however, that the public interest would be better served by demolishing the damaged facilities at these locations, and constructing a new classroom building at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic School, located at 2305 Fenelon Blvd., in Chalmette, LA and another classroom building at Mary , Queen of Peace Catholic School, located at 1501 W. Causeway Approach, in Mandeville, LA.

The public comment period will be from May 8, 2009 to May 24, 2009. Written comments on the proposal may be mailed to:
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or emailed to nicholas.knowles@dhs.gov, or faxed to FEMA's Transitional Recovery Office in New Orleans at (504) 762-2871; and verbal comments will be accepted at (281) 757-2975 between 7:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.