

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment**

**For Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority**

**Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department Station #12**

1785 East Silver Lake Road N.

Garfield Charter Township

Traverse City, Michigan 49684

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority, Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department Station #12- EMW-2009-FC-01786.

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 the construction of the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department Station #12 located at 1785 East Silver Lake Road N, Garfield Charter Township, Traverse City, Michigan 49684. This project will result in the construction of a fire station to serve the western portion of the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority's jurisdiction and, in particular, the western portion of Garfield Charter Township. 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 March 8, 2010 and April 8, 2010 at the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority Administration office located at 897 Parsons Road, Traverse City, Michigan 49686 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 April 15, 2010 by Amanda C. Ratliff, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA, 536 South Clark Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521, or at [Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov](mailto: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.

