

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's  
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)  
Draft Environmental Assessment  
FEMA-1843-DR-AK  
City of Eagle, Alaska**

### **Rehabilitation and Relocation of the Historic U.S. Customs House**

Notice is hereby given that FEMA plans to assist the City of Eagle by providing partial funding for the rehabilitation to pre-disaster conditions and relocation of the historic U.S. Customs House in the City of Eagle. The structure was damaged and displaced from its foundation by flooding and ice jams that occurred from April 28 through May 31, 2009. The event was declared a Presidential disaster on June 11, 2009, under FEMA-1843-DR-AK. Federal financial assistance would be provided pursuant to the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended (The Stafford Act).

FEMA has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and FEMA's implementing regulations. The draft EA will be finalized after agency and public review and input. The EA evaluates alternatives for compliance with applicable environmental laws, including: Executive Orders No. 11988 (Floodplain Management), No. 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), and No. 12898 (Environmental Justice). Alternative 1 is the No Action Alternative, which would entail no relocation or rehabilitation of the Customs House that was damaged by the disaster. Alternative 2 is the rehabilitation of the Customs House to its original pre-disaster condition at its current location. Alternative 3 is the Proposed Action Alternative for rehabilitation of the Customs House to its original pre-disaster condition and relocation at an alternative site.

This notice will constitute as the final notice as required by Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands. If no significant issues are identified during the comment period, FEMA will finalize the EA, issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and fund the project.

The draft EA is available for viewing at the library and City office in the City of Eagle; at the New Village tribal office; and at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/index.shtm>. Please submit your written comments to Mark Eberlein, FEMA Region X Environmental Officer, no later than midnight on June 14, 2010. Comments can be submitted by:

1. By mail to: U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
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After the public comment period ends, the final EA and the FONSI will be available for viewing at: [http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/archives\\_index.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/archives_index.shtm).