

**Federal Emergency Management Agency  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the  
Construction of a New Fire Station  
City of Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana  
FEMA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Assistance to Firefighters,  
Station Construction Grant (ARRA-SCG)  
FEMA Grant #EMW-2009-FC-02794**

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Grosse Tete Volunteer Fire Department has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Assistance to Firefighter, Station Construction Grant for program funding to assist with the construction of a new fire station to more efficiently and expeditiously serve the residents of Grosse Tete. An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Council for Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing regulations of NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500 – 1508), the National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of FEMA (44 CFR Parts 9 and 10). The EA has been prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action on the human and natural environment.

The EA evaluates alternatives that provide for compliance with applicable environmental laws. The alternatives to be evaluated include (1) No Action and (2) the Proposed Action, the construction of a new 8,950 sq. ft. facility at 76870 Gum Street in Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana. The site is outside the 100-year flood plain.

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 impact of the Proposed Action on the human and natural environment. The Draft EA summarizes the purpose and need, alternatives, affected environmental, and potential environmental consequences for the proposed action. The Draft EA is available for comment and can be viewed and downloaded from FEMA's website at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region6.shtm> or viewed at the Grosse Tete City Hall located at 18125 Willow Street between October 22, 2010 through November 2, 2010 [9am – 4pm].

The comment period will end 15 days from the initial notice publication date of October 22, 2010. Written comments on the Draft EA can be mailed or faxed to the contact below. If no substantive comments are received, the Draft EA will become final and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will be issued for the project. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

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