

Federal Emergency Management Agency
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA)
for the Proposed Leon County Communications Tower
Leon County, Texas
Homeland Security Grant Program
Project # 2010-SS-T0-0008 (10036)

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Texas Department of Public Safety has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Homeland Security Grant Program for funding to assist with the construction of a proposed 190-foot total height self-support telecommunications tower at 13958 FM 1511 Buffalo, Leon County, Texas 75831 (Latitude 31.417628, Longitude -95.911589). This project will enable all emergency responders to communicate in this region of Leon County during an emergency event. This project will also provide an alternate backup site for the Leon County Justice Center and the Emergency Operations Center.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the implementing regulations of FEMA, a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action on the human and natural environment. The Draft EA summarizes the purpose and need, alternatives, affected environment, 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>. The Draft EA can also be viewed at anytime at the Centerville Post Office, 322 E St. Marys, Centerville, TX 75833 from June 27, 2012 to July 12, 2012.

The comment period will end 15 days from the initial notice publication date of June 27, 2012. 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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