

**Federal Emergency Management Agency
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA)
for the Proposed Texas City Telecommunications Tower
Texas City, Galveston County, Texas
Homeland Security Grant Program
Project # 2011-SS-00019 (14834)**

Interested persons are hereby notified that the County of Galveston has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Homeland Security Grant Program for funding to assist with the construction of the proposed Texas City Telecommunications Tower in Texas City, Galveston County, Texas. The proposed project is to construct a 400-foot self-supporting communications tower and equipment compound that will be located near 5701 Attwater Avenue between Highway 146 and Humble Camp Road, Galveston County, Texas City, Texas at latitude 29.427944 and longitude -94.978222. The County of Galveston has determined that the proposed tower would successfully address regional radio coverage issues.

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 <https://www.fema.gov/environmental-documents-and-public-notice-in-region-vi>. The Draft EA can also be viewed at the Moore Memorial Public Library, located at 1701 9th Avenue North, Texas City, Texas 77590.

The comment period will end 15 days from the initial notice publication date of April 19, 2013. 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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