

# FEMA to Host Telephone Town Hall Meeting for the Freeport Flood Mitigation Project

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**CHICAGO** - The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region 5 office in Chicago is hosting a telephone town hall meeting to discuss the Freeport, Ill. flood mitigation project on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020, at 4 p.m. CT. FEMA will be hosting the meeting to solicit public feedback as part of its grant application review process.

The City of Freeport applied for FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant funding for the project to acquire and demolish approximately 150 flood prone properties located in the floodway of the Pecatonica River in the Eastside community. The owners of the acquired properties must voluntarily agree to sell the land then the structures will be removed, and the land will be converted to green space by the City of Freeport.

All interested and affected individuals should register to learn more and provide input. The telephone town hall is replacing a public meeting due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and will be simulcast in English and Spanish.

## Telephone Town Hall Meeting Details:

- **Date and Time:** Dec. 9, 2020 at 4 pm CT.
- **Registration:** Visit website: <https://tthm.wufoo.com/forms/freeport-flood-mitigation-project-town-hall>. Registrants will receive a phone call that will automatically connect them to the meeting. Individuals may also call into the telephone town hall meeting at 888-410-3427 (English language line) or 844-881-1317 (Spanish language line).

To learn more about FEMA's hazard mitigation assistance, visit [www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation](http://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation). For questions about the meeting or the project, email [FEMA-R5-news-desk@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R5-news-desk@fema.dhs.gov) or call 312-408-4455.



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