

PUBLIC NOTICE
January 20, 2026

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Florida Division of Emergency Management have received the following application for Federal grant funding. Final notice is hereby given of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) consideration to provide funding in the form of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Funds will be provided in accordance with Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990, FEMA is required to consider alternatives to and to provide public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state, and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements, and conditions.

Applicant:

Englewood Area Fire Control District

Project Title:

HMGP-4806-008-R- *Englewood Area Fire Control District, Fire Station 72, Generator*

Location of Proposed Work:

The area affected by this project consists of homes in the following locations: 5,000 to 6,000 Block of Placida Rd. Grove City, FL 34224

Proposed Work and Purpose:

Replace a non-working generator with a new generator to provide continuous power to the fire station in the event of a power outage.

Project Alternatives:

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative, and 2) enter into a long-term lease or rental agreement for a mobile generator to be deployed at Fire Station 72 as needed during outages. The portable generator would be trailered to the site before or after storm events and connected to the facility's electrical system through a manual transfer switch.

While this approach would provide temporary power restoration, it depends on road accessibility, staff availability, and vendor coordination before and after a storm. The leased generator would not provide automatic start-up or uninterrupted operations during outages. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because, under Alternative 1, the fire station would lack emergency power in the event of a power outage, and under Alternative 2, power restoration may be significantly delayed and unreliable.

Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public, local, state, or federal agencies, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to the Florida Division of Emergency Management, Bureau of Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. Comments are due by the close of business on February 6, 2026. The State will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

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