



# BALDWIN COUNTY

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### **Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a Wetland**

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Baldwin County Commission under 24 CFR Part 58 has determined that the following proposed action under ADECA's CDBG-DR Grant No. DR-21-001 results in new construction in a wetland, and the Baldwin County Commission will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the wetland and the potential impacts on the wetland from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The proposed County Priority Infrastructure Program (CPIP) project will extend County Road 65 from County Road 24, in Foley, to County Road 36 in Summerdale with a series of dirt road paving and new road construction projects. This project will potentially impact up to 3.44 acres of wetlands. No floodplains will be impacted by the project. The approximate locations of the impacts are 30.4588833, -87.7170806, and 30.4660333, -87.7170639, and 30.4702944, -87.7170583, and 30.4943778, -87.7171944, and 30.4795083, -87.7170056, and 30.4941722, -87.7169167, and 30.4987056, -87.7169250.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in the wetland and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the wetland, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the wetland. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comments about the wetland can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in the wetland, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Baldwin County Commission at the following address on or before 6/12/2025 **[a minimum 15 calendar day comment period will begin the day after the publication and end on the 16th day after the publication]**: Baldwin County Commission, Central Annex II, Po Box 220, Silverhill, AL 36576 and (251) 937-0371, Attention: Mark Acreman, PE, Assistant County Engineer. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Baldwin County Commission, Central Annex II, 22070 HWY 59, Robertsedale, AL 36567.

Comments may also be submitted via email at [sappleton@baldwincountyal.gov](mailto:sappleton@baldwincountyal.gov).

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, or disability. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or those requiring language translation services should contact Baldwin County Commission, Highway Department at 251-937-0371.