

**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in Federal Flood Risk Management Standard Designated Floodplain and Wetland**

To: All interested Federal, State, and Local Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Village of Bellport under 24 CFR Part 58 has determined that the following proposed action under Community Project Funding is located in the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (FFRMS) floodplain and estuarine and subtidal waters. The Village of Bellport will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the floodplain/wetland and the potential impacts on the floodplain/wetland from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690 and Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 in Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

The Proposed Project location is at the southern terminus of Bellport Lane in the Village of Bellport, Suffolk County. The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using a Climate Informed Science Approach (CISA) and wetlands were identified using the USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Mapper. The Proposed Project involves a series of improvements to the Bellport Municipal Marina. The primary focus of the Project is to ensure the safe harboring of vessels at the Municipal Marina. Currently, the marina is vulnerable to wind-driven waves from the east and southeast, which have historically caused damage to vessels and deterioration of marina infrastructure. To address these issues, the marina improvements will include the installation of a vertical wave screen, protecting the interior of the marina and ensuring a safe basin for navigation and mooring under typical conditions. Additional enhancements will include the reconstruction of ferry and emergency responder docks, spot dredging within the marina, repairs and replacement of bulkhead sections, and refurbishments to the boat launch area. All proposed developments within the Municipal Marina will be designed in accordance with current codes and standards, addressing the increasing public demand for access to recreational boating. The entire Project Area is located within the 100-year and 500-year Floodplain.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplain/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 floodplain/wetland, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the floodplain/wetland. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about the floodplain/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 floodplain/wetland, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Village of Bellport at the following address on or before June 27, 2025: Village of Bellport, 29 Bellport Lane, Bellport, NY 11713, Attention: Katie Mehrkens, Deputy Clerk. A full description of the project may also be reviewed on weekdays from 8:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M at 29 Bellport Lane, Bellport, NY 11713. Comments may also be submitted via email at deputyclerk@bellportvillageny.gov.

Date: June 12, 2025