FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

College of Charleston has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Program funding through the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD) as a sub-recipient.

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 a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 also requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

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.

**Sub-Applicant:** College of Charleston

**Project Title:** Patriots Point Sailing Center

**Location of Proposed Work:**

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A map showing the location of all properties is available by contacting Natalie McKnight, mcknightn@cofc.edu

**Special Flood Hazard Area Zone:** This project is for the repair of the Charleston Harbor Marina that is located in flood zone VE (Coastal High Hazard Zone). Confirmation of location in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) was made by reference to the latest Flood Insurance Rate Maps, Panel # 45019C0516K. The proposed work conforms to all applicable State of South Carolina and local floodplain regulations. The proposed work has the potential to be affected by its location in an SFHA.

**Proposed Work and Purpose:**
College of Charleston is requesting funds to remove and replace damaged, above-water elements such as a flotation foam, a pile cap, wood whaler beams, a plastic water line, and an awning. The repairs will return the site to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity. The marina’s purpose and needs are primarily storage of sailing boats and wildlife viewing.
Project Alternatives:
Alternatives to the proposed action were considered, as follows:

Alternative #1: If no action is taken to repair the marina, the next storm could cause further cascading damages to the marina. Additionally, the damaged marina would present a safety hazard for the community.

Alternative #2: Relocating the marina outside the mapped coastal high hazard zone is not practicable as the marine is functionally dependent on its location in the floodplain. In other words, the marina cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located in close proximity to water.

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. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency – Region IV - EHP, 3003 Chamblee Tucker Rd – Office #255, Atlanta, GA 30341-4112 or by email at FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Please include in the subject line of the email “DR-4464-SC EHAD.”

All comments are due by no later than 15 days of the posted date of this notice.

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End of Notice