

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

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals on 7/29/2025 This is to give notice that Falls County has determined that the following proposed action under the Community Development Block Grant Program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and ERR #(CDV23-0043), is located in the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (FFRMS) floodplain, and Falls County will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. Falls County, in cooperation with Chilton Water Supply and Sewer Service Corporation (WSC), proposes improvements to a lift station and to a WWTP. For the lift station, the County proposes to permanently install one (1) generator and all associated appurtenances. For the WWTP, the County proposes to rehabilitate components at WWTP including temporary bypass system, replacement of clarifier weirs and scum beach, installation of an auger screen, influent channel improvements, and all associated appurtenances. No acquisition will be required for the proposed improvements at two locations near the City of Chilton, Falls County, TX. The lift station is located approximately 120 feet west of Highway 7 and FM 4007 intersection at the following address: 2715 TX-7, Chilton, Texas 76632. The wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) is located at the end of County Road 494N, approximately 4,300 feet south of Highway 7 and County Road 494N intersection at the following address: 156 County Rd 494N, Chilton, Texas 76632. The purpose of the project is to install a generator and replace deteriorating components. The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using a 0.2 percent flood approach. According to the FEMA Base Flood Elevation Estimator the proposed project is within approximately .19 acres of the FFRMS Floodplain. The natural and beneficial functions and values of the floodplain potentially affected by the proposed activity include floodwater storage and conveyance, groundwater recharge, erosion control, surface water quality maintenance, biological productivity, fish and wildlife habitats, harvest for wild & cultivated products, recreational, educational, scientific, historic, and cultural opportunities. There are three primary purposes for this notice: (1) People who may be affected by activities in floodplains 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, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts; (2) An adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas; and (3) As a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk. Written comments must be received on or before 8/13/2025 by Falls County at 125 Bridge Street Room 203 or P. O. Box 458, Marlin, TX 76661, (254) 883-1426. Attention: Jay Elliott, County Judge. A full description of the project may also be reviewed during regular business hours at the same address. Comments may also be submitted via email to kelly@co.falls.tx.us or jay.t.elliott@co.falls.tx.us CC: lindsay.smith@grantworks.net.

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