PUBLIC NOTICE

Federal Emergency Management Agency In accordance with 44 CFR §9.8 for Executive Orders 11988 & 11990 Fireman's Park Flood Mitigation Initiative Borough of Keyport, Monmouth County, New Jersey

Notification is hereby given to the public of the intent of the Department of Homeland Security-Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) to provide federal funding to the Borough of Keyport as Subrecipient for financial assistance for flood mitigation activities at Fireman's Park. Funds are being requested through the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant program. The purpose of the PDM grant program is to plan for and implement sustainable cost-effective measures designed to reduce the risk to individuals and property from future natural hazards.

The proposed project entails installation of permanent flood protection measures that will ensure that Fireman's Park can be utilized to the maximum extent possible while reducing flood damage to adjacent commercial properties. The proposed Undertaking includes the following activities along the waterside frontages of Monmouth County tax parcel Block 21.02, Lots 20-22:

- 1. Demolish the existing timber bulkhead. Install a new composite sheet pile bulkhead with concrete cap (8 feet tall).
- 2. Demolish the existing timber boardwalk (constructed post-2011). Install a new concrete promenade (7.5 feet tall) with metal railing. The promenade will meet the existing Waterfront Park concrete promenade to the east of the project area.
- 3. Install concrete ADA access ramp, steps, and LED lighting.
- 4. Reconstruct existing 15" stormwater outfall pipe including new tidal check valve.

This action would take place within the 100-year floodplain (AE Zone) per the current preliminary flood insurance rate map, which means that the action has the potential to affect, or be affected by, the floodplain. Alternatives considered include: 1) taking no action, and 2) the proposed alternative. FEMA has determined that the proposed action is the most practicable alternative to reduce community risk from flooding.

Comments about this project, potential alternatives, and floodplain impacts may be submitted in writing within 15 days of the date of this publication to: FEMA Region 2, Attn: Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY, 10278 or via email to FEMAR2COMMENT@fema.dhs.gov. If substantive comments are received, FEMA will evaluate and address the comments as part of the environmental documentation for this project.