

INITIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD - CITYWIDE RETROFIT
OF SEISMICALLY DEFICIENT BUILDINGS
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The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) proposes to provide federal financial assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to the City of West Hollywood to implement the Citywide Retrofit of Seismically Deficient Buildings Project, which would include the retrofit of approximately 925 residential buildings. The project would address seismic vulnerabilities and related structural weaknesses associated with wood-framed multi-story buildings, cripple walls and sill plate anchorage in existing wood-framed buildings, non-ductile concrete structures, and older steel moment frame buildings within the City. Some of the residential buildings that would be retrofitted through this grant may be located within a floodplain. Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) and FEMA’s implementing regulations at Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 9, FEMA hereby provides interested parties with a notice of its intent to carry out actions in a floodplain.

The structural retrofit and upgrade of buildings targeted under the project could include the alteration, repair, replacement, or addition of structural elements and their connections along the weakened open wall lines in soft, weak, or open-front wood structures or locations of major deficiencies in non-ductile concrete structures and older steel moment frame structures to meet strength and stiffness conformance requirements. Typical retrofits for wood framed structures could include installation of a steel frame, shear wall, braced frame, or cantilever column system on open wall lines or the addition of plywood to cripple walls. Retrofits for non-ductile concrete and older moment frame building types would require full building analysis to determine the best approach for mitigating vulnerabilities. Staging and access for retrofit activities would occur on the street adjacent to the building or in the building parking garage. Retrofits would not require land acquisition or right-of-way or access easements.

Additional information about FEMA’s proposed action and maps showing the potential impacts on floodplains may be obtained by writing the FEMA Region IX Environmental Officer at FEMA, 1111 Broadway, Suite 1200, Oakland, California 94607 or fema-rix-ehp-documents@fema.dhs.gov. All requests should be received within 15 days after publication of this notice.

BY ORDER of the City of West Hollywood,
Melissa Crowder, City Clerk

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