

FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC). Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Public Assistance (PA) Program.

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice was published 09/09/2022, for DR-4663 Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides. Comments and other information received were fully evaluated by FEMA along with evaluation of social, economic, environmental, and safety considerations. This notice serves as a project- specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. FEMA has determined that the only practicable alternative is to fund the repairs of Perry County - CR 1437 Q1 - Bridge ID 097C013, already located within the Special Flood Hazard Area prior to the event.

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. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Responsible Entity: FEMA Public Assistance Program

Applicant: KY Department of Transportation.

Project Title(s): Perry County - CR 1437 Q1 - Bridge ID 097C013,

Location of Proposed Work and Floodplain Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panels:

Road Name (Address)	GPS Coordinates	FIRM Panel
CR 1437 Q1 - Bridge ID 097C013	37.38493, -83.15148	21025CO375C Effective 04/02/2008

Bridge is located within regulatory floodways, and within or adjacent to wetlands – R2UBH (Riverine, Unknown Perennial, Unconsolidated bottom, Permanently Flooded).

Proposed Work and Purpose: The KY Department of Transportation will repair/replace embankment, 1 beam, 2 abutments and surface asphalt. Hazard Mitigation Proposal: Two steel reinforced concrete scour protection walls each measuring 30.25'L x 1.5'W x 5.5'H and 403.5 tons of cyclopean stone rip rap along 53 FT long x 29 FT wide x 20 FT deep of embankment. The mitigation measures will reduce the risk of future damage by armoring the embankment from scour and protecting the bridge structure from being undermined by erosion.

Project Alternatives:

- (1) Relocation of facilities outside of the floodplain** – Relocating the bridge would require rerouting roadways, potentially altering public access to certain properties, and disproportionately affecting property owners as land is seized for the construction of the new route. The damages to the bridge are limited in scope and the cost of relocation would likely outweigh the cost to repair the damages at current locations. Floodplain avoidance by relocating the bridge is not a practicable alternative and would adversely impact social or economic resources for the community
- (2) No action alternative** – This alternative is not feasible as the repairs are necessary to ensure that the bridge remains operational in its current location to perform its designed function. The bridge provides ingress/egress, school bus and postal services and access for emergency personnel. With the no action alternative, continued negative impacts may be experienced.

Comments: This will serve as the Final Public Notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA PA program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the [Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 4, 3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341](#), or by emailing FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov. Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line: "PA-04-KY-4663-PW-00147: 686523 - Perry County - CR 1437 Q1 - Bridge ID 097C013" at the above addresses within 15 days of the date of this notice.

THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15th DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING

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