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Public Participation Summary

Fort Bend County's Hurricane Harvey Infrastructure Project: Big Creek Expansion Project process involved one public notice and one public meeting. The dates of the public notice, meeting and other participation opportunities are listed below.

Public Meeting Notice in Newspaper	January 31, 2019
Emails to Mailing List	February 5, 2019
Beginning of thirty day comment period	February 4, 2019
Fort Bend Connect Meeting/Announcement	February 8, 2019
Public Meeting	February 21, 2019
End of thirty day comment period	March 5, 2019
Commissioners Court approval	May 14, 2019

The thirty day public comment period for the draft of the Hurricane Harvey Infrastructure Project: Big Creek Expansion Project Application started on February 4, 2019 and ended on March 5, 2019.

A public notice was published on January 31, 2019 in the local newspaper. In addition, over eighty emails were sent to persons, organizations, and local governments on the FBC Community Development mailing list.

A FBC Community Development Department (FBCCDD) Staff member attended the February 8, 2019 Fort Bend Connect Meeting. Fort Bend Connect is networking group of individuals, groups, agencies, or organizations that strive to address the multiple needs in Fort Bend County. The monthly meetings are planned to provide valuable information regarding resources available to benefit the Fort Bend community. A copy of the public notice was posted on the announcement board; FBCCDD staff made an announcement during the meeting and handed out over twenty copies of the public notice to interested persons. Staff answered questions from persons wanting more information.

No written comments nor telephone inquiries were received during the public commenting period related to this project. No one attended the February 21, 2019 meeting.

The Hurricane Harvey Infrastructure Project: Big Creek Expansion Project Application is scheduled to be approved by Fort Bend County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. Any comments received during the public comment regarding agenda and announcement portion of the Commissioners meeting will be included in this section.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Lee Hartman who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Publisher of Fort Bend Herald and that said newspaper meets the requirements of Section 2051.044 of the Texas Government Code, to wit:

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- 3. it is entered as second-class postal matter in the county where it is published; and
- 4. it has been published regularly and continuously since 1959.

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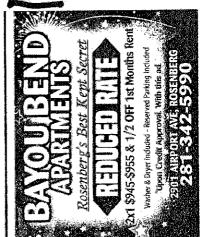
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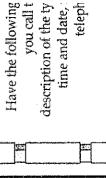
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Application

term resilience efforts in the 13-county Gulf Coast Planning Region that In February of 2018, the federal government allocated Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery (CDBG-DR) funds for the purpose of assisting in long-term recovery from 2017 disasters. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was authorized under this Act to distribute the funds to state grantees. The State of Texas was ing the criteria for eligibility and how the use of these funds will address long-term recovery and restoration of infrastructure, housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed area. Within the bution (MOD) developed by the Regional Councils of Government. The ing the hurricane recovery programs and guiding long-term and shortincludes Fort Bend County. H-GAC developed a state-approved MOD for approximately \$241 million in CDBG-DR funds. Under this MOD, Fort Bend County was allocated \$21,155.575 for a Local Buyout and Acquisirequired to submit a plan detailing the proposed use of all funds, includ-State of Texas, these funds were distributed based on Methods of Distri-Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is responsible for administertion Program and \$17,417,192 for a Local Infrastructure Program. The Fort Bend County's draft Local Buyout Program and Infrastructure mond, Texas to receive comments from the public regarding the Hurment, 301 Jackson St., Sulte 602, Richmond, Texas, 77469. Comments applications include the proposed projects to be funded using CDBG-DR Program funds and will be available for public review and comment from Monday, February 4. 2019 to Tuesday, March 5, 2019. A public meeting ат В. Travis Building, 301 Jackson St., 7th Floor Meeting Room, Richout and Acquisition Program Applications. The public is encouraged to atment Director, at the Fort Bend County Community Development Departwill be incorporated into the draft application documents, as appropriate. will be held on Thursday, February 21, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the Willi ricane Harvey Infrastructure Application and Hurricane Harvey Local Buy. tend and to submit comments to Marilynn Kindell. Community Develop-

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RESOLUTION

Fort Bend County Community Development

Application to the Texas General Land Office for Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Assistance

WHEREAS, the County Court of Commissioners finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Fort Bend County to participate in the infrastructure program through the Texas General Land Office for Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery assistance regarding infrastructure affected by flooding in 2017; and

WHEREAS, an application must be submitted to the Texas General Land Office to participate in such program, and

WHERAS, the County Court of Commissioners designates KP George, Fort Bend County Judge, as Fort Bend County's authorized official with the power to apply, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of Fort Bend County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Court of Commissioners approves submission of the grant application listed above by the Fort Bend County Judge to the Texas General Land Office.

Passed, Approved and Resolved on the 28th day of May, 2019.

KP George, County Judge

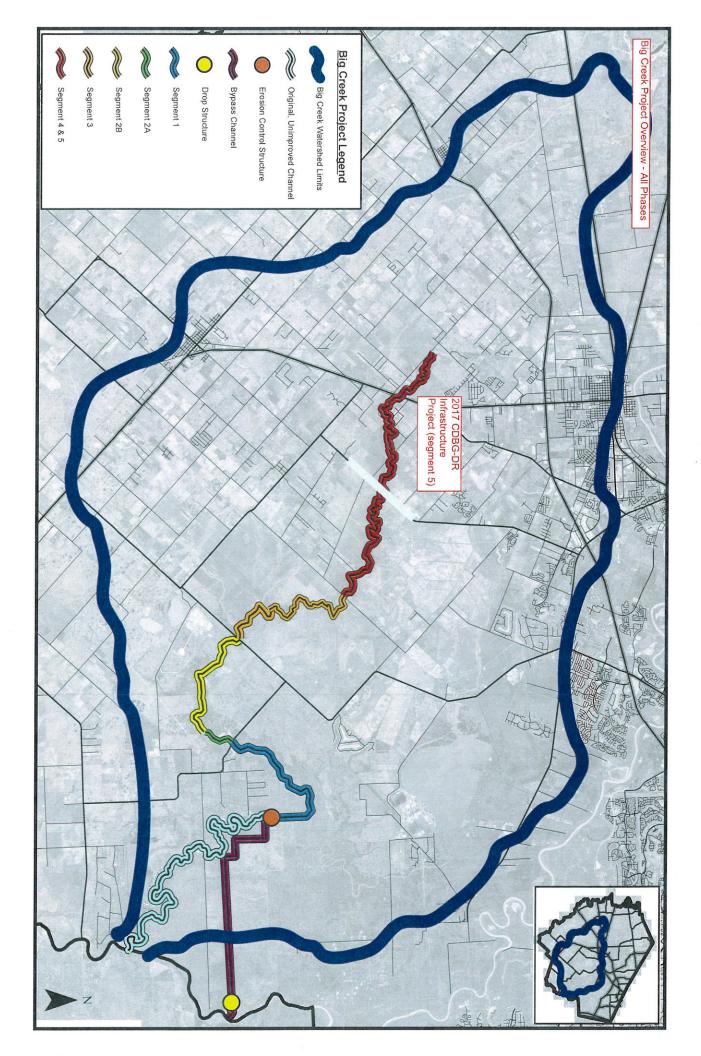
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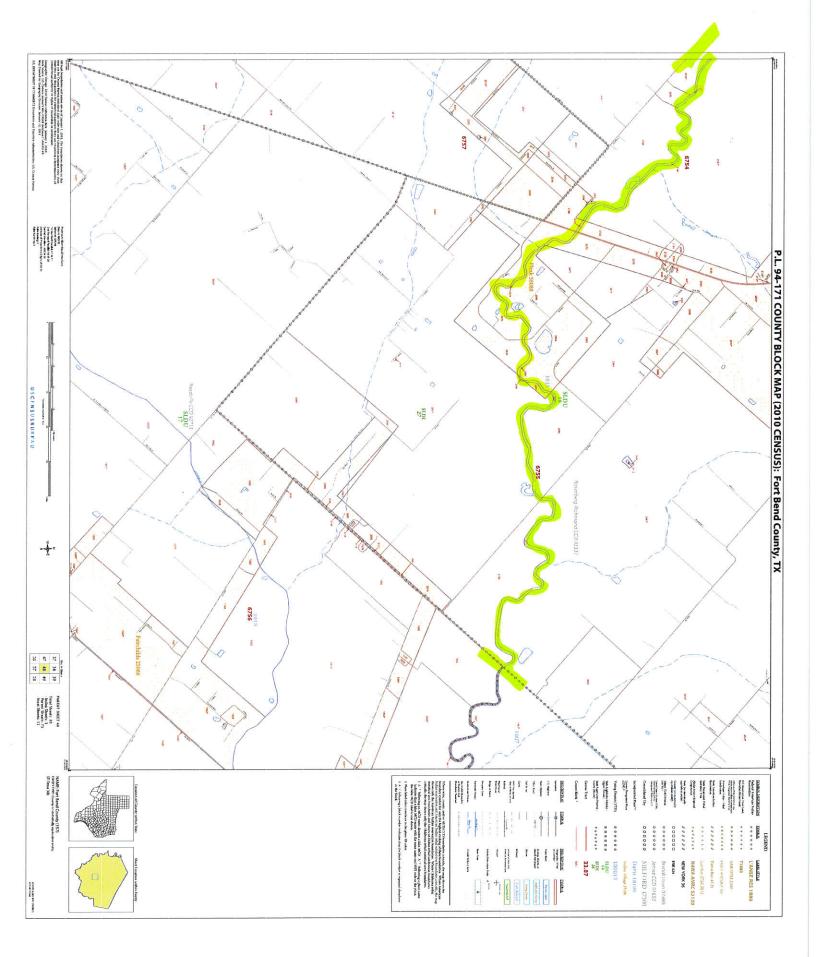
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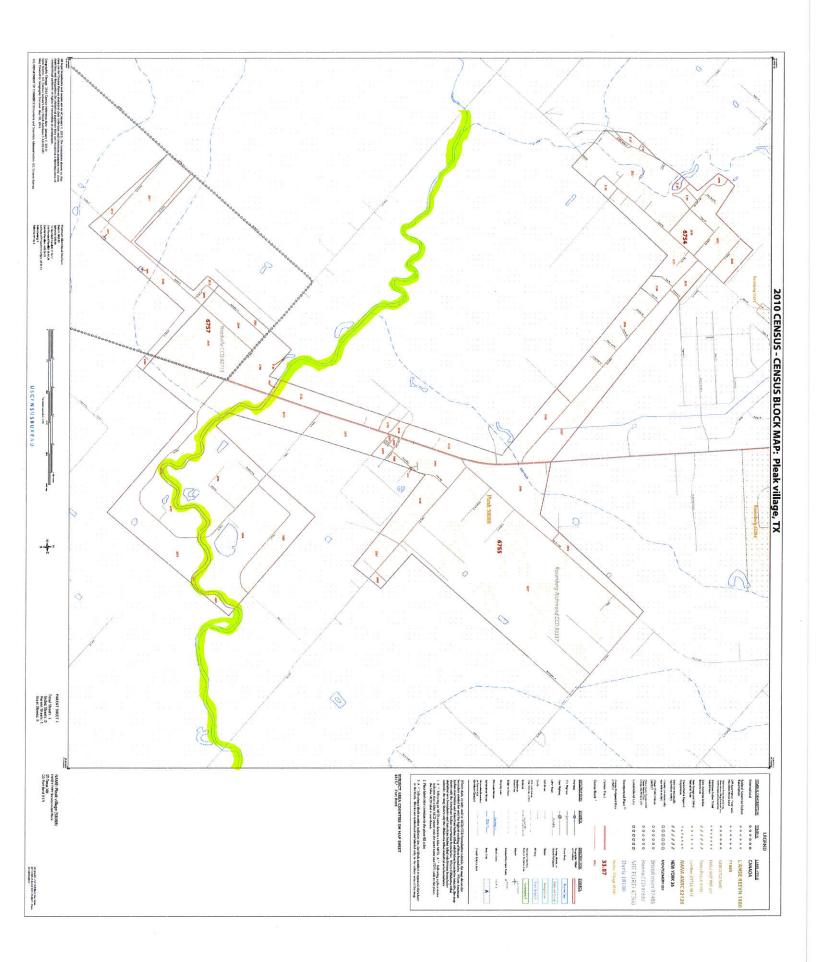
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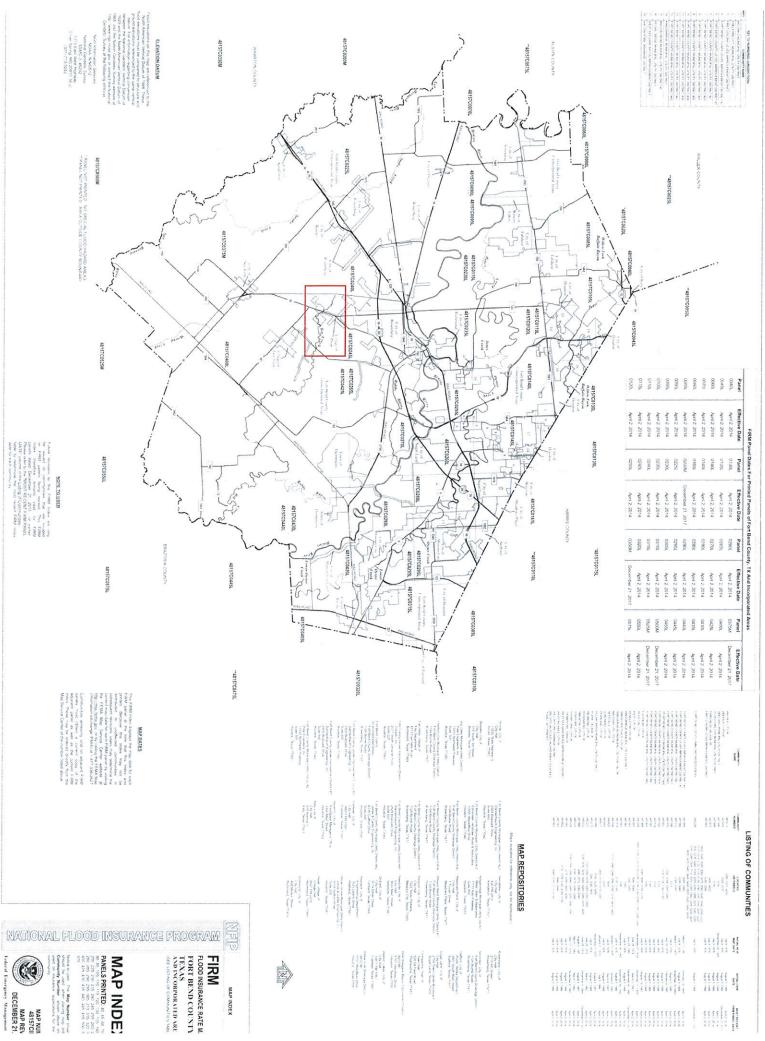
- 1. Big Creek Expansion Project Project Map
 - This map shows the location and scope of the project. Also on this map is the latitute
 and logitude in decimal degrees for the center point of the project as well as the
 lat/long for the beginning and end points of the project.
- 2. Big Creek Project Overview All Phases
 - This map shows all phases of the expansion and excavation of Big Creek. Fort Bend County has complete over 20 miles of expasion and excavation from the Brazos River up to FM 2977. This last phase (segment 5) is the project listed in this application.
- 3. Project Beneficiary Maps
 - PL 94-171 County Block Map (2010 Census): Fort Bend County, TX CDBGUOGID
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 - 2010 Census Census Block Map: Pleak Village, TX Place 58088
- 4. Floodplain (FIRM) Maps
 - FIRM Map Fort Bend County
 - FIRM Map Big Creek from FM 2977 to Spur 10
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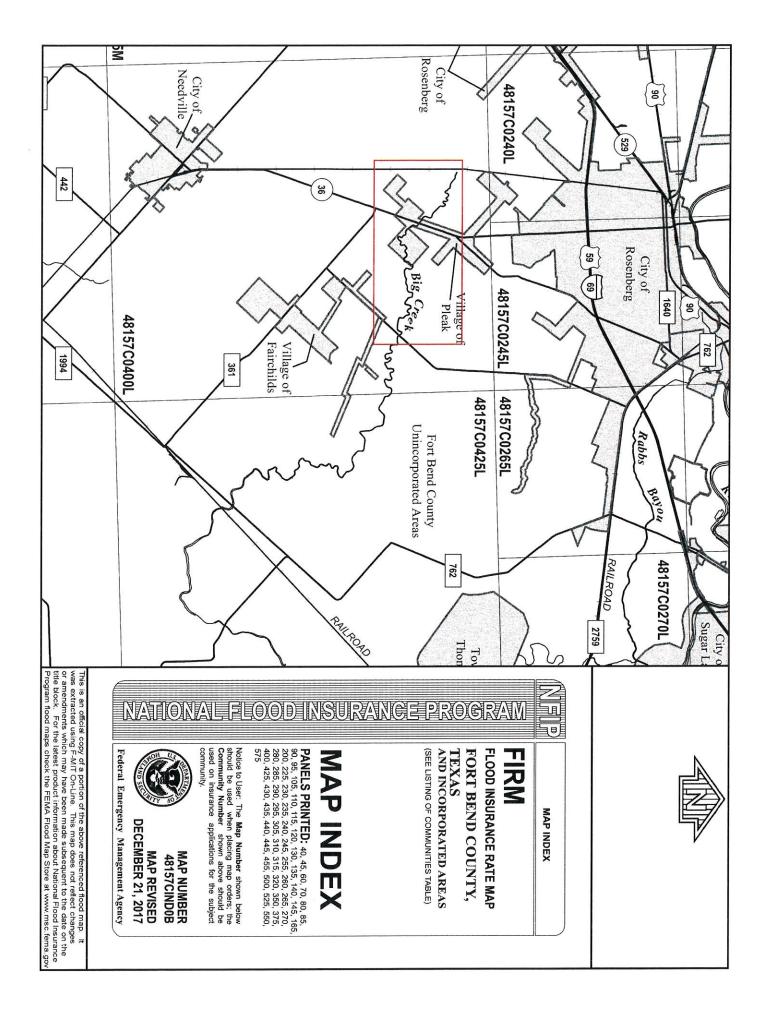








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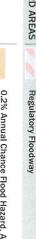


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Additional Information

Funding Information

FEMA Coverage

- Fort Bend County did not submit this project to FEMA for possible reimbursement under FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) Program. This is due to the fact that Big Creek from FM 2977 up to its confluence at Coon Creek and Cottonwood Creek (near Spur 10) sustained little direct damage to the channel itself as a result of Hurricane Harvey. That said, the limited capacity of Big Creek's channel meant that it was unable to contain the large amounts of water moving through the channel during Hurricane Harvey, causing flooding in homes, roads, and agricultural lands.
- (Note that Fort Bend County did submit a FEMA Public Assistance Project Worksheet for damage that occurred to Big Creek further downstream.)
- As stated in the application, this project was not submitted to the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program as this project did not meet the FEMA requirement of having a Benefit Cost Ratio of 1.1 or greater. Attached is the PowerPoint presentation (DR-4332 HMGP applicant briefing FINAL 03292018) used by the Mitigation Unit of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) that states projects must demonstrate the 1.1 Benefit Cost Ratio (see slide 14).

Other Funding

 In the past, Fort Bend County Commissioners Court allocated funds to contribute towards the previous phases of the expansion of Big Creek. Fort Bend County has had a recent change in leadership and subsequent changes in priorities. No funds have been allocated for this project at this time.

Project Detail

- The Fort Bend County Drainage District maintains the Big Creek channel and has existing
 easement along Big Creek, including through the Village of Pleak. Since the Fort Bend County
 Drainage District maintains the Big Creek channel, no agreement between Fort Bend County and
 the Village of Pleak is necessary. Instead, the Drainage District will see right-of-way entry to Big
 Creek from the individual property owners along Big Creek.
- The expansion and excavation of Big Creek from FM 2977 up to confluence at Cottonwood Creek and Coon Creek (near Spur 10) would provide immediate benefit the Village of Pleak, making the Village of Pleak the main service area for this project. The Village of Pleak is a Census Defined Place (Place 58088) with 64.33% LMI.



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HMGP APPLICANT BRIEFING

TDEM Recovery, Mitigation, and Standards Hazard Mitigation Section

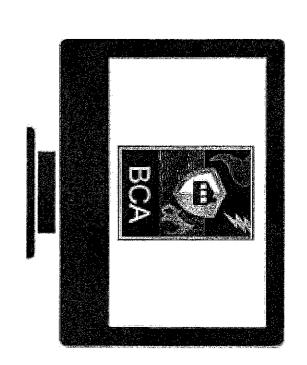


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DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Benefit-Cost Analysis

- Projects must demonstrate a benefit-cost ratio of 1:1 or greater
- Pre-calculated benefits
- Substantially damaged determination in SFHA
- \$276,000 acquisitions in SFHA
- \$175,000 elevations in SFHA
- Hurricane wind retrofit measures







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MEMORANDUM

To: Fort Bend County

From: Troy Dorman
Christy Williams
Jonathan Smith

CC: Kim Truong

Jenn Lenart

Date: 8/21/2018

Subject: Big Creek Expansion Project

BCA Results

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Big Creek Expansion Project is located about five miles south of Rosenberg, Texas. This project proposes widening the creek from its intersection with FM 2977 to its confluence with Cottonwood Creek and Coon Creek. The excavation of this portion of the creek marks the last 18% (and furthest upstream) of the planned creek improvements in a multi-phase project. An initial screening of the benefits received in this project area indicate that the widening of the channel and addition of weirs will:

- Increase the channel's capacity to convey a 10-year frequency rainfall event as well as reduce its floodplain levels; and
- Reduce the probability of structural and roadway flooding within the watershed.

The analysts compared the estimated construction costs of this final phase of the Big Creek Expansion project (i.e., \$13,615,531) to the benefits anticipated from the modeled flood reductions. The BCA (Benefit Cost Analysis) indicated that the benefits received from the proposed final phase are not significant enough to obtain a Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) that is greater than 1.0 – required to be eligible to receive FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding. After testing multiple scenarios, the analysts concluded that the BCR would be a maximum of **0.09**. The analysis indicates that the likely cause for this low score is that previous phases of the project have already maximized ultimate benefits.

Section 2 of this memorandum addresses the BCA screening inputs. The final BCA inputs are summarized in Appendix A.



2.1 ADJUSTMENTS TO RI

The Tetra Tech team conducted an analysis of the return intervals determined by the HEC-RAS models developed by AECOM and Dodson & Associates. This analysis was done to ensure the return intervals of the modeled flows were being represented based on the best available data. Using USGS gage data and USGS flood frequency analysis program, Peak FQ, the team found that the modeled flows have a lower return interval than previously presented and have been mischaracterized. The analytical team made adjustments to the original RIs for the modeled events to reflect the findings of the analysis (Table 1). While this discovery did not change the overall outcome of the BCA screening, it was critical when determining the overall benefits calculated by FEMAs BCA tool (Attachment A). Lower RIs result in greater benefits due to a higher likelihood of damaging storms which could be eliminated by a proposed project.

Table 1. AECOM and Dodson & Associates modeled return intervals versus the USGS Peak FQ (flood-frequency) analysis of streamflow records.

Modeled RI (years)	Modeled Flow (cfs)	Peak FQ RI (years)
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10	4,167	4.8
25	5,395	8.5
50	6,376	13.6
100	7,416	22.4
500	10,046	78.7

2.2 STRUCTURAL ASSETS

The key limitation that the Tetra Tech analysts identified in the structural damages is that there are more outbuilding structures affected within the project area than residential structures (Table 2). For example, in the 100-year floodplain, 25 residential structures are flooded pre-mitigation compared to 53 outbuilding structures. This affects the expected damages seen on the site because outbuildings have a smaller replacement cost compared to residential structures (i.e., \$199,732 vs \$2,183,818 respectively).

Table 2. Example of Total Damages to Residential Structures and Outbuildings Pre-Mitigation.

Return Interval	Total Damages to Residential Buildings Pre-Mitigation	Total Damages to Outbuildings Pre-Mitigation
4.8	\$550,962	\$39,511
8.5	\$879,756	\$85,476
13.6	\$1,348,070	\$143,152
22.4	\$2,183,818	\$199,732
78.7	\$5,343,751	\$423,319

With only structural assets, the BCR was calculated at 0.06.

Appendix A. BCA Input

1.0 BCA DATA DOCUMENTATION

The analysis was performed by Jenn Lenart of Tetra Tech, Inc. under contract with Fort Bend County, TX. The damage frequency module of BCAR version 5.3.0 was utilized for this analysis. While there was data available to support the use of the full-data flood model, the sheer number of structures impacted by this project dictated use of the damage frequency module with data generated outside of BCAR version 5.3. This memorandum has been prepared to explain and document those BCAR data entries that require an explanation and citation of data source and act as a guide for the technical review of this benefit-cost analysis.

1.1 HAZARD AND MITIGATION DATA

The hazard type selected for this assessment was flood and the mitigation type selected was floodwater diversion and storage. The basis for the damages was expected damages.

1.2 COST ESTIMATION INFORMATION

The overall costs reflect current 2018 average low bids for the state of Texas. A breakdown of these prices has been provided by the project engineers.

1.2.1 Project Useful Life

The analyst utilized a project useful life of 35-years for this project. FEMA Guidance provides recommendations for major drainage systems and localized flood reduction projects at a range from 35 to 100 years for drainage improvement projects. Since there was not a project useful life suggested by the project engineers, the FEMA standard value of 35-years was chosen considering these suggestions and a lower bound analysis.

1.2.2 Mitigation Project Costs

A detailed project cost was developed and utilized during the BCA (Attachment B).

1.2.3 Annual Maintenance Cost

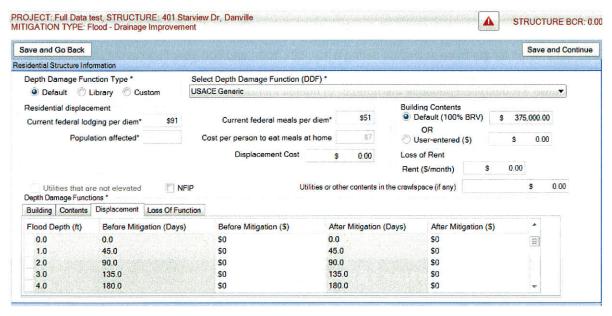
According to Fort Bend County and the Project Design Engineer, this project will require little or no post maintenance. However, to support the concept of a lower bound analysis, the analyst included a value of \$1,000/year under the assumption that county and city staff will need to monitor the project area periodically during high flow events to confirm the project's functionality. This \$1,000 was based on an estimate of 25 hours at \$40/hour.

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3.2 DISPLACEMENT COSTS

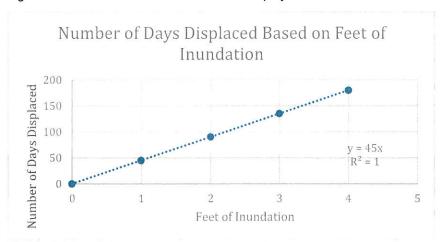
In part two of this assessment, the analyst used displacement costs that occurred in this project area. These values were determined using FEMA's Full-data Flood Module displacement depth damage function (Figure 3). Under FEMAs BCA Flood Module, the current costs for federal lodging per diem is \$91 per person and the current costs for federal meals per diem is \$51.

Figure 3. Screen grab from FEMA's BCA Flood Module to determine the trendline for displacement costs.



Using the flood depth curve, the analyst created a trendline that would determine the number of days premitigation that residents would be displaced (Figure 4).

Figure 4. The trendline used to determine the number of days residents would be displaced during flood events depending on the feet of inundation for homes in the project area.



The depth of inundation as determined by the GIS analysis generated the number of days residents were displaced during a 10-, 50-, 100-, and 500-year flood event in the project area. The number of days displaced was multiplied against Fort Bend County's average persons per household (i.e., 3.17) and cost



MEMO

To:	Fort Bend County
From:	Troy Dorman, Peter Cada, Christy Williams, Jamie Childers, Ruben Martinez, Kim Truong, Jenn Lenart Tetra Tech
Date:	Friday, July 27, 2018
Subject:	Big Creek Channel Expansion Project – Frequency Analysis

The following memorandum discusses the frequency analysis performed on stream flows modeled by AECOM and Dodson & Associates using gage data from USGS gage 08115000 in Big Creek at Trinity Road and the USGS PeakFQ program.

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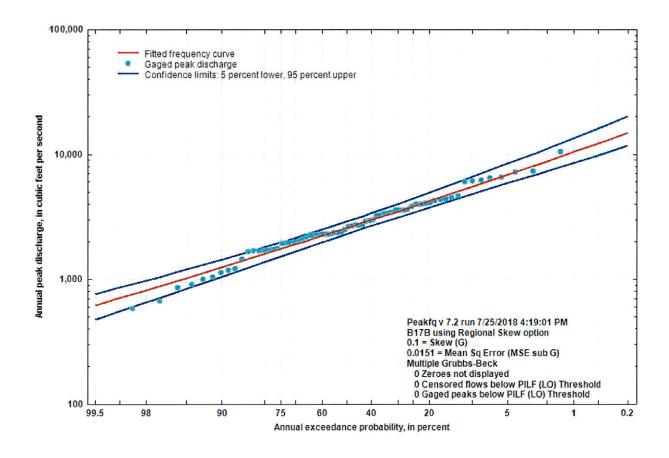


Figure 2. Peak FQ fitted frequency curve of peak flow rates at USGS gage 08115000

Table 1. Peak FQ estimated annual exceedance probability and return intervals for flow rates at USGS gage 08115000

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) (%)	Return Interval (RI) (years)	Flow (cfs)
99.5	1.01	612.3
99	1.01	699.3
98	1.02	809.7
97.5	1.03	851.9
96	1.04	954.6
95	1.05	1012
90	1.11	1236
80	1.25	1581
70	1.43	1892
66.7	1.50	1995
60	1.67	2209
57.0	1.75	2308

cross section geometries. Flow rates and return intervals were analyzed using the USGS gage 08115000 flow duration curve for model cross section 85570.08, which corresponds to the USGS gage location. Using Peak FQ data, AEP and return intervals (RI) for the AECOM modeled flows were calculated to be much more frequent than presented in the model (Table 2). A 10-year return interval flow of 4,167 cfs was determined to be closer to a 5-year return interval. Similarly by this analysis, a flow of 10,046 cfs, which was considered a 500-year event in the AECOM model, was calculated to be closer to an 80-year event.

Table 2. AECOM post-project peak flow return intervals

AECOM RI (years)	AECOM AEP (%)	AECOM Q Total (cfs)	Peak FQ AEP (%)	Peak FQ RI (years)
10	10	4,167	21.0	4.8
25	4	5,395	11.7	8.5
50	2	6,376	7.3	13.6
100	1	7,416	4.5	22.4
500	0.2	10,046	1.3	78.7

2.2. Dodson & Associates

In 2003 Dodson & Associates developed a similar HEC-RAS model for the Big Creek Channel Improvement Project and modeled post-project peak flow rates at multiple locations along Big Creek (Table 3). USGS gage 08115000 is located in between two of the modeled locations, Below Seabourne Creek Confluence and Below Unnamed Tributary #1 (Figure 1). The peak flow for both locations were analyzed using the Peak FQ flow duration curve. Calculated return intervals for the location below Seabourne Creek ranged from 2.4 years to 12.9 years for the same flow rates that were considered to be 5- and 100-year events in the Dodson & Associates model (Table 4). The 5-year and 100-year events at the location below Unnamed Tributary #1 were determined to be closer to 4- and 19-year events when compared to Peak FQ data for the same 3,540 cfs and 7,045 cfs flow rates, respectively (Table 5).

Dodson RI (years)	Dodson AEP (%)	Dodson Peak Flow (cfs)	Peak FQ AEP (%)	Peak FQ RI (years)
5	20	3,540	28.4	3.5
10	10	4,417	18.7	5.4
25	4	5,403	11.7	8.6
100	1	7,045	5.3	18.8

3.0 CONCLUSION

The 20 highest peak flow rates at USGS gage 08115000 were reviewed within the context of the Peak FQ flow duration curve and are presented in Table 6 from highest to lowest peak flow. It can be seen that in the last 60 years there have been 5 events greater than Hurricane Harvey, one of which occurred in May 2015 and is the second highest on record. Hurricane Harvey, which would be considered to have a return interval between a 25-50-year by the AECOM model, is likely closer to a 12-year event. Of the 20 highest peak flows experienced at this gage, three of the events occurred in the last three years and according to the analysis have return intervals from 4-years to 20-years.

Using historical USGS gage data and USGS frequency analysis program, Peak FQ, this analysis has found that previously modeled peak flow return intervals have been mischaracterized. In both AECOM and Dodson & Associates HEC-RAS models, return intervals were presented to be longer than what was determined using Peak FQ data. This means that a peak flow rate that was characterized to have a probability of occurring only 1 time in 100 years could be more likely to occur once every 22 years. In other words, the creek will reach higher peak flow rates more frequently and pose more risk than previously presented.

Table 6. Highest 20 peak flows from available data at USGS gage 08115000 (1947-2018)

Date	Gage Peak Flow (cfs)	Peak FQ AEP (%)	Peak FQ RI (years)
6/26/1960	10,400	1.1	93.1
5/26/2015	7,250	4.8	20.7
9/20/1979	7,140	5.1	19.6
11/11/1985	6,490	6.9	14.4
8/31/1981	6,420	7.2	13.9
8/27/2017	6,160	8.1	12.3
6/19/1961	6,050	8.6	11.7
10/18/1994	6,000	8.8	11.4
10/16/2006	4,600	17.1	5.8
10/15/1957	4,500	17.9	5.6
8/18/1983	4,380	19.0	5.3
4/18/2009	4,330	19.5	5.1
6/13/1973	4,220	20.5	4.9
11/18/2003	4,050	22.2	4.5
5/30/1975	4,000	22.8	4.4
5/13/1982	3,960	23.2	4.3
11/23/2004	3,940	23.4	4.3

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Project Costs



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Labor Costs

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Other Costs (including fees paid and other project costs)

Item/Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Cost/Rate	Total Cost
500 Mobilization	0.05	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$411,404.21
Engineer Fee	0.12	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$987,370.11
Program Management Fee	0.03	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$246,842.53
Administrative Fee	0.04	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$329,123.37
Public Outreach	0.01	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$82,280.84
Material Testing	0.015	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$123,421.26
Construction Contingency	0.2	PCNT	\$8,639,488.44	\$1,727,897.69
Engineer Contingency	0.04	PCNT	\$8,228,084.23	\$329,123.37
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