

Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a Federal Flood Risk Management Standard Designated Floodplain

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals on January 26nd, 2026: This is to give notice that the City of Kirbyville has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order(s) 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 Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under the Community Development Block Grant Program and administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) ERR #24-065-160-F075. The City of Kirbyville proposes a Sewer Improvements to install sewer lines and manholes; repair roadways; and complete associated appurtenances. Please see attached project sheets for approximate locations. Construction shall take place at the following locations:

Defining Project Location (on/along...)	Approximate path or location (from...to...Coordinates)	Proposed HUD Performance Measures
Along south side of West Main Street	From North Herndon Street westward 705' 30.66081, -93.90316	705 Linear Feet (LF)
Along Farm to Market 82	From the elementary school entrance on Farm to Market 82 eastward to South Elizabeth Avenue 30.64212, -93.89456	1,500 LF
Along West Stringer Street	From the manhole at PR 5395 eastward to the lift station located on the north side of West Stringer Street 30.66553, -93.89435	200 LF
Along West Lavielle Street	From South Herndon Street westward 450' 30.65952, -93.90211	450 LF
Along Martin Luther King Street	From South Vallie Avenue eastward to South Kellie Avenue 30.65876, -93.89475	2,100 LF
Along West Main Street / South Vallie Avenue	From McMillan Avenue eastward to South Vallie Avenue thence northward 525' 30.66084, -93.89850	1,020 LF
Along Farm to Market Road 1013 / West Main Street	From Harris Street southeast to McMillan Avenue 30.66095, -93.90164	800 LF
Along East and West Drew Street	From North Barrow Avenue eastward to North Kaysee Avenue 30.66271, -93.89312	1,760 LF
Along West Drew Street	From Florence Avenue eastward 242' 30.66276, -93.89701	242 LF
Along West Levert Street	From South Herndon Street eastward 240' 30.65752, -93.90111	240 LF
Along US Highway 96	From East Freddye Avenue southward 250' 30.64458, -93.89831	250 LF
Along Easy Street / South Meadow Lane	From 107' east of Shady Lane eastward to South Meadow Lane, thence southward to Farm to Market Road 82 30.64401, -93.89429	1,442 LF

Alternatives if funding becomes available: The proposed alternative includes installing sewer lines and manholes; repair roadways; and complete associated appurtenances. Construction shall take place at the following location:

Defining Project Location (on/along...)	Approximate path or location (from...to...Coordinates)	Proposed HUD Performance Measures
West Lavielle Street, Herndon to Barrow	W. Lavielle St., Herndon to Barrow (30.659805, -93.898711)	1,600 Linear Feet (LF)

The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using 0.2 percent flood approach. According to the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel No. 48241C0450D effective date 12/17/2010, the proposed project is within approximately .01 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. The City of Kirbyville has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial functions and intrinsic values of the existing floodplain: locations outside and not affecting the FFRMS floodplain, alternative methods to serve the identical project objective, and a determination not to approve any action proposing the occupancy or modification of a floodplain. The practicability of alternatives considered the natural, social, and economic values of each alternative. The alternatives considered were not chosen because they would fail to address the most deteriorated sewer lines in need of repair, would be economically prohibitive, and would allow health, safety, and environmental violations to persist. The City of Kirbyville has reevaluated the alternatives and has determined that there is no practicable alternative to locating the proposed project in the FFRMS floodplain. The proposed project must be located within the floodplain due to the necessity of aligning with existing infrastructure and to meet critical service requirements for the surrounding community. The best action is to proceed with the project as planned utilizing the following mitigation measures to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial functions and values of the FFRMS floodplain:

- Sewer systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems
- The implementation of erosion and sediment control measures will be used wherever possible, such as the installation of silt fences, sediment barriers, or erosion control blankets, using sediment basins to capture runoff, or stabilizing exposed soils immediately after construction with vegetation or mulch.
- Manholes shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems
- The project shall be implemented using best management practices designed to protect natural landscapes that serve to maintain or restore natural hydrology through infiltration.
- The project shall not lead to any significant increases in impermeable cover and shall have no negative impacts on the floodplain, as all lines will be subsurface, and the project area will be restored to pre-project conditions upon completion.
- The project shall meet any applicable, additional local floodplain requirements set forth by the community's Floodplain Administrator prior to construction.
- All state, local, and NFIP floodplain protection procedures will be followed. Including manhole elevation/floodproofing as necessary.
- The consulting engineer shall take into consideration additional specifications to minimize damage to and/or restore the native plant species.
- The project shall be implemented using best management practices designed to protect improvements from flood damage.

Environmental files documenting compliance with Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, are available for public inspection, review, and copying upon request during regular business hours at the City Hall. 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; (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 February 2nd, 2026 by the City of Kirbyville at 107 S Elizabeth Ave, Kirbyville, TX 75956, (409) 423-6191. Attention: Frank George, Mayor. 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 publicworkstonja@yahoo.com CC: kayce@grantworks.net.