

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) and 11990: (Wetlands) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) implementing regulations at Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 9, FEMA hereby provides final notice of its decision to provide Public Assistance Program funding for an action located in a wetland and near a floodplain. Funding would be provided through Vermont Emergency Management to the Town of Cabot for the construction of a public safety building to replace the firehouse formerly located at 2947 Main Street, Cabot, VT, which was determined to be unsafe due to bank erosion caused by flooding.

The action is located at 2466 Main Street at the site of a previously demolished residential structure. The new building will be a structure no larger than 15,081-square feet in size which will be utilized by fire department and other potential services, including emergency response personnel, and will store public safety equipment. Stormwater from paved parking areas will discharge to an onsite, man-made pond, and the pond outfall will be modified to accommodate the additional stormwater capacity.

The project is mapped outside of all special flood hazard areas (100-year floodplain; Zone A). Additionally, evaluation of the estimated floodplain and site elevations indicate the proposed action has sufficient free-board above the 100-year flood elevation that it is not expected to be impacted by future flooding. Although the site will impact delineated wetlands connected to the on-site pond, there will only be 638 square feet of permanent conversion due to the outfall modification. All other wetland impacts would be associated with the discharge of stormwater, and the use of stormwater filtration prior to discharge is expected to significantly reduce the levels of debris, total suspended solids, phosphorous, and other dissolved compounds potentially present in runoff.

Requests for additional information about this project and potential floodplain and wetlands impacts should be submitted within 15 days of the date of this publication to:

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