



# TOWN OF UNION, NEW YORK

**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed  
Activity in a 100-year Floodplain  
Town of Union, New York  
Fairmont Park Water Main Improvements  
Johnson City, Broome County, NY  
Sara Zubalsky-Peer, Planning Director**

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals.

This is to give notice that the Town of Union under 24 CFR Part 58 has determined that the following proposed action in Johnson City, Broome County, New York ("Proposed Action") is located in the 100-year floodplain. The Town of Union is conducting an environmental review of the Proposed Action as the recipient of Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under 42 U.S.C. § 5304(g) and 79 Fed. Reg. 62,182 (Oct. 16, 2014). As required by Executive Order 11988, in accordance with HUD regulations 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, the Town of Union will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain, as well as the potential impacts on the floodplain. The Proposed Action is a federally funded undertaking involving federal, state, and local regulatory approvals and discretionary permits associated with modification of an existing public water distribution system in the Fairmont Park subdivision in the Town of Union, NY.

The proposed project will bring the current public water distribution system up to current Health Department standards. The existing water distribution system is not adequately sized for the supply demand of the neighborhood and is unable to allow for new construction as currently configured due to Health Department regulations that are more stringent than when the subdivision was originally built. The existing water mains consist of ¾" and 1" lines. These lines are undersized for the existing subdivision and prevent any new construction. In addition, the lines are not looped and the current system requires periodic hydrant flushing. The proposed project will upgrade the water mains to 8" lines and will loop the system per current Health Department standards.

There are three primary reasons for this notice. First, citizens 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. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool.

The dissemination of information about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, 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.

**COMMENTS:**

Written comments are requested and will be accepted by the person noted below, on or before March 12th, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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Comments may also be submitted or further information can be requested via email to:

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A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, at the Town of Union office address listed above.