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FEMA Issues Public Notice on Historic Preservation, Rights Compliance

RALEIGH, N.C. – As required by law, FEMA has issued a public notice of its intent to take into account the impact of federal laws concerning natural and cultural resources and civil rights on the federal assistance and grant opportunities it provides through its Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant programs in the State of North Carolina.

This notice applies to programs implemented and counties designated under the disaster declaration FEMA DR-4412-NC signed by the president on Jan. 31, 2019, following the devastation of Tropical Storm Michael. Among the provisions:

- **The National Historic Preservation Act** requires federal agencies to evaluate the effect their actions may have on historic properties. Of particular concern are actions or activities that may affect buildings, structures, districts or objects 50 years or older that might be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Archaeological sites or certain undisturbed grounds are also covered by the Act. If a property is found to be eligible for the Register, FEMA will provide further notices to the public.
- **The Rehabilitation Act of 1973** protects the civil rights of persons with disabilities, and prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by the federal government, federal contractors or by receivers of federal financial assistance. The Act applies to all programs and businesses that receive any federal funds. It insures full accessibility in all services and activities conducted by or funded by FEMA.

The public notice is posted on FEMA's Tropical Storm Michael North Carolina (DR-4412) disaster webpage at: <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2019/02/06/20190204-dr-4412-nc-public-notice-v1>. It is also posted on the North Carolina Emergency Management Michael website at: <https://www.ncdps.gov/tropical-storm-michael-public-notice>.

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