Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

November 20, 2026

To: All interested Agencies, including the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Kentucky Division of Water, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and all residents and groups of Bowling Green and Warren County.

This is to give notice that the City of Bowling Green ("City") has determined that the following proposed project funded by the Kentucky Department for Local Government ("DLG") under the Community Development Block Grant CARES Act ("CDBG-CV") is located in the 100-year floodplain, and the City will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Orders 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C: Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

The City intends to use $360,000 of CDBG-CV funds to construct a public park on approximately 2.5 acres of vacant land at 385 Pascoe Blvd. located at approximately 36.939522927644, -86.42937753497118, in Bowling Green, Warren County, KY. According to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the proposed project site is located in the 100-year floodplain.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, 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. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, 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. 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.

A 15 calendar day comment period will begin the day after the publication of this notice and end on the 16th day after publication. Written comments must be received by the City at the following address on or before December 6, 2026: P.O. Box 430, Bowling Green, KY 42102, Attention: Nick Cook, Grants Manager. Comments may also be submitted via email at ncs@bgky.org. A full description of the project may be reviewed at the Neighborhood and Community Services Building at 707 E. Main Avenue, Bowling Green, KY during business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST.