

**Federal Emergency Management Agency  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment  
for the North Forest Independent School District Administrative Building  
Houston, Texas  
FEMA-1379-DR-TX.

The North Forest Independent School District (NFISD) has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for assistance with the construction of a building to house administrative operations for the NFISD. The original administrative building for the NFISD was destroyed in flooding that took place during the declared disaster event in June 2001. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), the National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of FEMA (44 CFR Part 9 and 10), an Environmental Assessment is being prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action on the human and natural environment.

The Environmental Assessment evaluates alternatives that provide for compliance with applicable environmental laws. The alternatives to be evaluated include (1) No Action; (2) The proposed action — Build New Administrative Building.

The draft Environmental Assessment is available for review between September 13 and October 12, 2004, at the Dixon Branch Public Library located at 8002 Hirsch Road, Houston, Texas. The draft Environmental Assessment is also available for review online at the FEMA website <http://www.fema.gov/ehp/docs>.

Written comments regarding this proposed project can be mailed to Carlos Swonke, Turner Collie & Braden Inc., 400 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 500, Austin, TX 78701. Comments should be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 12, 2004.