

Floodplains and Wetlands Early Public Notice Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

To: All interested Agencies including all Federal, State, and Local, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Hyden-Leslie Water District under 24 CFR Part 58 has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, to determine the potential effect that it's project in the floodplain and wetland will have on the human environment for the Leslie Waterline Replacement Phase 1 Project under the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority. The project will replace 36,512 LF of waterlines that experience reoccurring failures. This project will also include the replacement of 2 Booster Pump Stations, 4 Booster Pump Stations that will be rehabilitated with VFD's and also new construction of 11 zone master meters to improve water loss. The proposed project is located in Leslie County, KY 41749.

Written comments must be received by the Kentucky River Area Development District at the following address on or before April 11, 2025. Kentucky River Area Development District, 941 N. Main Street Hazard, KY 41701, (606) 436-3158, Attention: Lisa Napier, Assistant Director of Community and Economic Development during the hours of 8am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday. Comments may also be submitted via email at lisa@kradd.org.

Date: March 27, 2025

Floodplain and Wetland Notice of Explanation Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

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The Hyden-Leslie Water District has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values: The Hyden-Leslie Water District evaluated alternatives. The first option is to continue to operate tanks as they exist and as the district's budget allows, but that is not cost efficient. The second option is to do nothing, but that is not feasible. The third option is to construct the project as designed. Part of the project may be in the 100-year floodplain as designated by the September 28, 2007 FEMA Floodplain Maps; with very minimal impacts to the floodplain areas.

The Hyden-Leslie Water District has re-evaluated the alternatives to building in the floodplain and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of [Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990], are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments. This activity will have no significant impact on the environment for the following reasons:

The construction of the Wilder Branch Pump Station Project in the floodplain areas will disturb very minimal surface area during construction, as the area is already disturbed. The Hyden-Leslie Water District is seeking funding from the CDBG-DR Fund in the amount of \$1,170,000 for the install of 1 Duplex pump station and site work at Wilder Branch to include a permanent generator, 1 duplex pump station and site work at Trace Branch to include a permanent generator, 1 duplex pump station telemetry package for Wilder Branch and 1 duplex pump station telemetry package for Trace Branch. It will also include a telemetry repeater at the hospital hill tank, a central telemetry unit at the water treatment plant, 39 water meters with radio read, 39 of the 5/8" x 3/4" tandem setter tub w/IPRV (installed), and electrical service to both pump stations. This is the most economical and least environmentally impacting alternative considered.

Written comments must be received by the Kentucky River Area Development District at the following address on or before April 4, 2025: Kentucky River Area Development District, 941 North Main Street Hazard, KY 41701 and (606) 436-3158, Attention: Lisa Napier, Assistant Director of Community and Economic Development, during the hours of 8am- 4:30pm Monday through Friday. Comments may also be submitted via email at lisa@kradd.org.

Date: March 20, 2025

So Be It..... How I Fight My Battles

God commands us over 300 times in the Bible; "Do not fear." "Be anxious for nothing." He wouldn't tell us this if He hadn't already given us the tools to fight back. If anxiety feels like a battle you can't win, you're not alone, but you are not powerless either. God's Word is filled with truth to help you push back against fear and reclaim peace. Anxiety may feel unavoidable, but it is not undefeatable. We experience worry, fear, and anxiety so often that they start to feel like just another part of life, something we must accept, much like a cold. But God didn't create us to live afraid, worried, and anxious. He has already given us the tools to fight back against the spirit of fear. Over 300 times, He tells us in His Word, "do not fear, or do not worry, and don't be anxious for nothing." That means we have a choice and with God's help we can choose peace over panic, faith over fear. There are many scriptures in the Word of God that will help us to fight worry, fear, and anxiety. Philippians 4:6-7 says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving make your requests know to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Matthew 6:34 says, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Proverbs 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, do not depend on your own understanding, seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take." Deuteronomy 31:6 says, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be

afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you." Luke 12:24-26 says, "Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap; they have no storeroom nor barn, and yet God feeds them; how much more valuable you are than the birds. And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life's span? If then you cannot do even a very little thing, why do you worry about other matters?" Matthew 6:25 says, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?" Peace is a gift. John 14:27 says, "I'm leaving you with a gift, peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid." Psalm 34:4 says, "I sought the Lord and He answered me; He delivered me from all my fears." John 14:1 says, "Let not your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me." Joshua 1:9 says, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord you God will be with you wherever you go." Be intentional in praying these scriptures



and letting them become a part of your daily life. Prayer is talking to God His way by letting Him speak to you through His Word. Share everything with Him, your joys, your worries, your struggles, and hopes. Trust that He hears you and cares for you. Stay away from things that pull you away from God. Be committed to the Lord and He will be faithful and committed to answer you when you call. Stay rooted!! AMEN! SO BE IT (3.26.25) JOYFUL House of Prayer, 2519 Quicksand Road, (P.O. Box 856), Jackson, Kentucky 41339. Send Comments/Prayer Requests: Pastornaomi-4god@gmail.com. FB: JoyfulHopprayer. Services: 10am Sunday and Joyful Kids Class at 10:30am, 6:30pm Thursdays. Radio Broadcast: WJSN 97.3 FM & WEKG 81.0 AM Sundays 1-2pm. Broadcast: WJSN 97.3 FM & WEKG 81.0 AM Sundays 1-2pm AM Sundays 1-2pm.

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