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Media Alert

FEMA Awards City of Framingham a \$75,000 Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant

FRAMINGHAM, MA- The City of Framingham has received a \$75,000 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) for the advancement of the Walnut Street Flood Mitigation Study.

This study will focus on multiple neighborhoods near Walnut Street in North Framingham that are historically prone to flooding.

During recent community meetings about flooding, the public and City staff identified this area to be a high priority.

“Flooding is a big concern for Framingham, and the issue itself is complicated with no easy solution,” said Kerry Reed, the City’s Senior Stormwater & Environmental Engineer. “Framingham is exploring ways to mitigate flooding by engaging residents, prioritizing concerns in our planning efforts, and working with regional, state, and federal partners.”

Funding for hazard mitigation plans and projects can decrease overall risks to the population, structures, and infrastructure while reducing the reliance on taxpayer-funded federal assistance for disaster recovery.

The FMA grant program is a nationally-competitive annual grant program which provides significant opportunities for municipalities to reduce, minimize, or eliminate potential damages to property and infrastructure from natural hazard events.

For more information about the City’s hazard mitigation planning, please visit:

<https://www.framinghamma.gov/2047/Climate-Change-and-Hazard-Planning>

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