

ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

Title of document being adopted: Environmental Assessment for Fort White Tower

Proponent: Florida Division of Emergency Management

Location of current proposal: 7354 Southwest Elim Church Road, Fort White, Florida

Agency that prepared document being adopted: Florida Division of Emergency Management

Date adopted document was prepared: September 22, 2011

Description of document (or portion) being adopted: The proposed for the existing Fort White Communications Tower would increase the existing 285-ft guyed communications tower on an existing 500 ft x 500 ft parcel of land to 400-ft and would extend the current distance to the base of guyed wires from 225 ft to 241 ft. Proposed upgrades to the communications site would also include a replacement 10 ft x 12 ft prefabricated equipment shelter to house needed electronics, a replacement 45 kilowatt (kW) propane generator, and new electronic equipment to support a four channel 800MHz and three channel 700MHz communications system. Antennas would also be mounted on the extended tower for both transmitting and receiving 700/800MHz communications, and for providing Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) backhaul connectivity via microwave links. The proposed project would be located on leased private property and would tie into the existing power system using existing overhead powerlines and an existing meter pedestal. The total ground disturbance would be approximately 0.13 acres. The tower and site construction and equipment acquisition and installation for this proposed project do not have any significant environmental impacts or extraordinary circumstances.

The document is available to be read at: http://www.ntia.doc.gov/psic/NEPA_sub3.html

The Department of Commerce has identified and adopted this document as being appropriate for National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)'s purposes after independent review. The document meets its environmental review needs for approval under the PSIC Grant Program and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.

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