

Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

Responsible Entity City/County

Date of Notice

Address

Telephone Number

City, State, Zip

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about (at least one day after the end of the comment period) the above-named entity will submit a request to the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) for the release federal Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as:

Project Title: _____

Purpose of Nature/scope of project: _____

Estimated funding: _____

Project location: _____

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental review of the project is on file at the above address and (List any other locations where the ERR record is available for examination) is available for public review/examination or can be copied weekdays ____ A.M. to ____ P.M. upon request.

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the (designated office of the recipient agency). All comments received by (notice date plus seven days, if published; posting date plus ten days if posted or mailed) will be considered by (name of recipient) prior to submission of a request for release of funds.

(Name of recipient) certifies to OBDD that (Name of Certifying Officer) in his/her official capacity as (Chief Elected Official or other title), consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews process, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is upon its approval, the (name of recipient) may use the Grant funds, and OBDD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

OBDD will accept an objections to its approval of the release of funds and the (name of recipient) certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or actual receipt of the

request for release of funds (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Chief Executive Officer or other officer approved by OBDD; or (b) the (name of recipient) has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by OBDD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58), and shall be addressed to OBDD at 775 Summer Street NE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97301-1280. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by OBDD.

Potential objectors should contact OBDD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. It is estimated that any objection received after (last day of 15-day State comment period – NOTE – The 15 days is after the anticipated submission of the RROF and complete ERR to OBDD or OBDD’s actual receipt of the RROF and complete ERR, whichever is later.) will not be considered by OBDD.

Name of Certifying Officer: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____
