NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 12, 2023
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Idaho Housing and Finance Association.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 29, 2023 Idaho Housing and Finance Association will submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Project Funds under Division L Title II of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, as amended through 2022, to undertake a project known as Peterson Place by Habitat for Humanity in Idaho Falls. The purpose of this is to construct 116 new affordable homes for home ownership opportunities. The approximate 11.524 acres lot project site is land located at 3270 and 3266 W Broadway, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Idaho Housing and Finance Association has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. The Environmental Review Record (ERR) can be viewed at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records or an appointment may be made to obtain a copy at Idaho Housing and Finance Association.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to IHFA at PO Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899, Attention Sarah Chappel, HOME Programs Department, or by email at sarahc@ihfa.org. All comments received by June 28, 2023 will be considered by IHFA prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

IHFA certifies to HUD that Cory Phelps, in his capacity as Vice President Project Finance and Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD’s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows IHFA to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and IHFA's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the RE; (b) the RE 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 HUD; 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 procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to HUD at CPD Director, 1220 SW 3rd Ave., Suite 400, Portland, OR 97204-2825, or by email Portland_RROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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