

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

July 23, 2024

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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 August 9, 2024 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 2023, to undertake a project known as Idaho Wheat Commission in Boise, Idaho. The purpose of this is to demolish the current Idaho Wheat Commission building and construct a new one. The new building will expand the current operations and provide a facility that is more efficient economically and environmentally. The project site is located at 821 W State Street, Boise, Idaho 83702.

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 August 8, 2024 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 emailed to Portland_RROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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