

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Date of Notice: 3/15/2024
200 W. Dallas Ave., Cooper, TX 75432

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Delta County, TX.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 4/3/2024, the County of Delta will submit a request to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the release of HOME Partnership Program funds under the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 as amended to undertake a project known as County of Delta HOME Investment Partnership Program. Delta County proposes to assist one (1) to fifty (50) single-family owner-occupied homeowners if funding becomes available. This is a tiered review based on multi-year releases of HOME funds. The maximum amount to be utilized for the reconstruction of each home is from \$184,000 to \$200,000 based on the number of bedrooms. This tiered review covers reservations 2021-0011, all associated contracts, and any additional HOME funds awarded in the next 5-year period, including 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, and 2028 under this same scope of work. A broad environmental review has been completed for Delta County. When addresses are identified for assistance, a site-specific study for the following elements: Historic Preservation, Floodplain Management, Floodplain Insurance, Explosive and Flammable Operations, Contamination and Toxic Substances, and Noise Abatement and Control, will be completed and submitted for environmental clearance to TDHCA.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Delta County 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. Additional project information is in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Delta County Governmental Offices, 200 W. Dallas Ave., Cooper, TX 75432. It may be examined or copied on weekdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A digital copy of the ERR may be obtained by contacting Sue Hommel, Judge's Assistant, via email at countyjudge2@deltacountytx.com or (903) 395-4400 x 226.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of Tanner Crutcher, County Judge, Delta County, 200 W. Dallas Ave., Cooper, TX 75432. Comments may also be submitted via email to Sue Hommel, Judge's Assistant, via email at countyjudge2@deltacountytx.com or (903) 395-4400 x 226. Delta County will consider all comments received by 4/2/2024 before authorizing the submission of a request for the release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County of Delta certifies to TDHCA that Tanner Crutcher, in their capacity as County Judge, 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. TDHCA certification approval satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the County of Delta to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

TDHCA will accept objections to its release of funds and to the County of Delta's ERR certification for 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 County of Delta approved by TDHCA (b) the County of Delta 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 or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by TDHCA; 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, Sec. 58.76). They shall be addressed to Jaclyn Leasure, Environmental Specialist, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, via email at Environmental@TDHCA.state.tx.us. Potential objectors should contact TDHCA to verify the last day of the objection period.

Tanner Crutcher, County Judge, County of Delta, TX, Certifying Officer