NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Pate of Notice: November 30, 2020
Real County
P. O. Box 446
146 U. S. Highway 83 S.
Leakey, Texas 78873
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for the Construction, Engineering and Administration activities to be undertaken by Real County for TxCDBG Contract No. 7220380. The comment period and RROF procedures for this environmental review are conducted according to TDA's temporary social distancing procedures.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 21, 2020 Real County will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant Funds under Section 104f of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as TxCDBG 7230380 Community Development Fund Senior Citizen Center Improvements.

Real County shall construct an approximately 1,800 square foot senior citizen center to include site work with concrete foundation, masonry, exterior and interior wall framing, steel structure, roof and walls, wall and ceiling insulation, flooring, tile floors, acoustical ceilings, painting, doors and frames, windows, an aluminum entry system, millwork, toilet accessories, phone data communication system, fire extinguishers, mini blinds, electrical, fire alarm, mechanical and plumbing and all associated appurtenances. This activity will benefit 646 citizens of Real County who are 62 years of age or older and of low to moderate income.

Construction shall take place on Real County owned property located on 5th Street approximately one block east of Nueces Street in Camp Wood, Texas 78833.

The Construction, Engineering and Administration is being funded by a \$275,000.00 TxCDBG 7230380 Community Development Block Grant in addition to a \$50,000.00 cash match from Real County.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Real 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 contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Bella A. Rubio, Real County Judge P O Box 446 Leakey, Texas 78873 or by email to realjudge@hctc.net The ERR can be accessed online at the following website www.realcounty.com

Objections must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Real County, Office of the County Judge at realjudge@hctc.net Potential objectors should contact Real County via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Real County at P. O. Box 446, 146 U. S. Highway 83 S Leakey, Texas 78873. All comments received by December 21, 2020 will be considered by Real County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Real County certifies to Texas Department of Agriculture that Bella A. Rubio, in her capacity as Real 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. TDA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Real County, Texas to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

TDA will accept objections to its release of fund and Real County'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 Real County; (b) Real County 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 TDA; 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) and shall be addressed to Pam Wozniak, Environmental Review Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture, Pamela.Wozniak@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact Pam Wozniak at TDA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Bella A. Rubio, Real County Judge Real County, Texas