

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds (NOIRROF)

Based on 7-day public comment period and 15-day State objection period

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Tuesday, September 26, 2023
Board of Supervisors
Dickenson County, Virginia
818 Happy Valley Drive
Clintwood, VA 24228
(276) 926-1676

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 4, 2023 Dickenson County will submit a request to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as the Trammel Community Revitalization Project – Phase 2, for the purpose of improving housing and community infrastructure for the low to moderate income residents of Trammel, Virginia. The project is targeting properties between 11003 and 11342 Dante Mountain Road, Dante, VA, and is comprised of the following activities.

- Rehabilitation of four (4) Low to Moderate Income (LMI) investor-owned, single-family dwellings to HUD Housing Quality Standards.
- Demolition and substantial reconstruction of six (6) LMI owner-occupied, single-family dwellings to HUD Housing Quality Standards, including interim housing and storage for displaced households during construction.

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The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulation at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act Requirements (NEPA). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Dickenson County administrative offices at the Dickenson Center for Education and Research, 818 Happy Valley Drive, Clintwood, VA 24228 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00A.M. to 4:00P.M. The Environmental Review Record is also available electronically at the Dickenson County website at www.dickensonva.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Dickenson County Administrator. All comments received by October 6, 2023, will be considered by the Dickenson County Administrator prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentors should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

Dickenson County certifies to DHCD that Larry Barton in his capacity as County Administrator 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. DHCD'S approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Dickenson County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DHCD will consider objections to its release of funds and Dickenson County's certification received by October 11, 2023, or for a period of fifteen days following 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 Dickenson County; (b) Dickenson 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DHCD; 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 DHCD at:

Director
Virginia Department of Housing & Community Development
Attn: Program Administration and Assistance Office
Main Street Centre
600 E. Main St., Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23219-2430
(804) 371-7061 [TTP 371-7089 / FAX 371-7093]

Potential objectors should contact DHCD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Larry Barton, County Administrator.
