

**COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT  
and NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS  
and FINAL NOTICE AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A  
FEDERAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD DESIGNATED FLOODPLAIN AND WETLAND**

6/18/25

**City of Floresville, 1120 D Street, Floresville, TX 78114, (830) 393-3105**

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited three separate but related procedural notification requirements to be undertaken by the City of Floresville.

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about 7/8/25, the City of Floresville (City) will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture (Department), Office of Rural Affairs for the release of 2024 Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, to undertake a project known as 2024 CDBG City of Floresville Sewer Improvements Project #CDV23-0145 for the purpose of providing first-time sewer service to certain qualifying households.

**Project Description**

- Install approximately three thousand three hundred twenty-seven linear feet (3,327 LF) of eight-inch (8 in) sewer line including manholes, related pavement repair, and all associated appurtenances, to include administration and engineering services and fees.
- Provide first-time service to ten (10) households, including service lateral lines, all associated appurtenances, and administration and engineering services and fees. [In addition, ten (10) non-LMI households, not included in the beneficiaries below, will receive sewer service. TxCDBG funds shall not fund a yard service line on private property to a household that does not qualify as LMI.]

**Project Location:** Blue Bonnet North, from Butter Cup Lane to the last house served; and Butter Cup Lane, from Blue Bonnet North to the east dead end, Floresville, Wilson County TX (Midpoint: 29.152995, -98.149294)

**Funding Information: CDV23-0145**

Estimated Total HUD TDA CDBG Funded Amount: \$500,000

Total Non-HUD Funds: \$50,000 (City of Floresville General Fund)

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD TDA CDBG and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]: \$550,000

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City 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 the City at the address above, or by email to [financedir@floresvilletx.gov](mailto:financedir@floresvilletx.gov).

**FINAL NOTICE AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A  
FEDERAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD DESIGNATED FLOODPLAIN AND WETLAND**

This is to give notice that the City has, under 24 CFR Part 58, conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, and Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C, Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The activity is funded under Texas Department of Agriculture (Department), Office of Rural Affairs for the release of 2024 Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using the Freeboard Value Approach. Part of the project on Blue Bonnet North is in Zone A of the 100-Year Floodplain, totaling approximately 0.28-acres. This includes a

floodway. The project engineer provided this technical memorandum for protection of the floodway, which states, in part: *Having considered right-of-way and floodplain areas, (Engineer) will design and have the contractor implement construction Best Management Practices (BMP) such as; rock filter dams, silt fencing, and natural Best Management Practices (BMPs) to reduce or eliminate sediment transport. The sewer main within the apparent floodway will be covered with a concrete cap to prevent sewer main exposure if channel erosion occurs. All manholes are anticipated to be outside the floodplain and will be securely bolted to prevent inflow and infiltration. The (Engineer) anticipates post project maintenance of the sanitary sewer will include city staff inspection on a quarterly basis, as well as every 25-year storm event. This inspection is to ensure that no erosion occurs that would cause contamination. The roadway will be rehabilitated, and the apparent right-of-way will have vegetation reestablished immediately after installation of the sanitary sewer and the rehabilitation of the roadway.*

Work in the riverine wetland, totaling approximately 0.10-acres, will be approached under Nationwide Permit 14, Linear Transportation Projects. All conditions and limitations of the permit will be followed.

The beneficial values of the floodplain and wetland will not be adversely affected as the project will not change the topography, and best management practices and permit conditions and limitations will be followed during construction. HUD's 8-Step decision-making process of §55.20 to comply with 24 CFR Part 55 was completed.

The City has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial functions and intrinsic values of the existing floodplain and wetland: According to the engineer, there are no alternatives considered as all work is in the ROW and is a typical sewer main design and installation. No Action: Taking no action would incur no costs for the improvements and would cause no construction-related environmental impact but would be unable to provide homes with safe and reliable wastewater treatment systems.

The City has reevaluated alternatives to building in the floodplain and wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative to floodplain and wetland development. Environmental files documenting compliance with Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, and Executive Order 11990, are available for public inspection, review and copying as outlined in the paragraph of FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in a floodplain and wetland and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments/objections on the ERR to the City of Floresville. Written comments received by 7/7/25 will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments must be addressed to the City at [financedir@floresvilletx.gov](mailto:financedir@floresvilletx.gov) or by mail to: City of Floresville, 1120 D Street, Floresville, TX 78114, (830) 393-3105, Attn: Mayor's Office. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. Potential objectors should contact the City via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City certifies to the Texas Department of Agriculture Office of Rural Affairs that Gloria Morales Cantu, in her capacity as Mayor, 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. The Department's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The Texas Department of Agriculture will accept objections to its release of funds and the City'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 City (b) the City 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 the Department; 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 Environmental Review Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture by email at [CDBG\\_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov](mailto:CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov). Potential objectors should contact the TDA Environmental Review Specialist at [CDBG\\_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov](mailto:CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov) to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Gloria Morales Cantu, Mayor