

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

Date of Notice: 6/24/2021

Walker County, 1100 University Ave Rm 204, Huntsville, TX 77340, (936) 436-4910

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 7/13/2021 Walker County will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as Street Improvements & Flood and Drainage Facilities 20-065-104-C279, for the purpose of repairing and reconstructing the driving surface, sub-grading, and road base by milling, applying asphalt, striping of several streets with incidental repairs to roadside ditches, installing one (1) flood gauge for flood awareness, and complete associated appurtenances from the intersection of Oak Trail Rd. and Wallace Rd. continuing 1,500 LF west to a point at the intersection of Oak Trail Rd. and Whippoorwill St., from the intersection of Raintree St. and Wallace Rd. continuing 1,600 LF west to a point at the intersection of Raintree St. and Whippoorwill St., from the intersection of Roark Rd. and Wallace Rd. continuing 2,250 LF west & north to a point at the dead end of Roark Rd., from the intersection of Whippoorwill St. and Wallace Rd. continuing 3,250 LF west & north to a point at the dead end of Whippoorwill St., from the intersection of M. Williams Rd. and SH30 continuing 2,010 LF south to a point at the dead end of M. Williams Rd., from the intersection of Williams Rd. and SH30 continuing 2,380 LF south to a point at the dead end of Williams Rd., from the north intersection of Wire Road Loop and FM 2550 continuing 6,600 LF for the entirety of Wire Road Loop to a point at the south intersection of Wire Road Loop and RM 2550, from the intersection of Koonce Rd. and FM 230 continuing 7,400 LF southeast & south to a point at the dead end of Koonce Rd., from the intersection of Plantation Rd. and FM 230 continuing to a point 4,560 LF south on Plantation Rd., from the intersection of Phelps Creek Dr. and Old Phelps Rd. continuing to a point 750 LF south on Phelps Creek Dr., from the intersection of Phelps Slab Rd. and US Hwy. 190 continuing 3,600 LF southeast to a point at the intersection of Phelps Slab Rd. and FM 2296, from the intersection of Harding St. and FM 2296 continuing 2,000 LF west to a point at the dead end of Harding St., from the intersection of Southwood Dr. and FM 2929 continuing to a point 7,800 LF west on Southwood Dr. at the Huntsville City Limits, from the intersection of Mike Slott Rd. and Mt. Zion Rd. continuing to a point 1,600 LF northeast & southeast at the dead end of Mike Slott Rd., at the Bedias Creek crossing on CR 247, Walker County, Texas. Walker County has been awarded \$4,445,805.00 in grant funds and shall contribute \$0 in match funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Walker 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) on file at the Walker County County Courthouse, 1100 University Ave Rm 204, Huntsville, TX 77340 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the County Judge. All comments received by 7/12/2021 will be considered by Walker County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Walker County certifies to GLO that Robert D. "Danny" Pierce 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. GLO approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Walker County to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

GLO will accept objections to its release of funds and the Walker 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 the Walker County approved by GLO (b) the Walker 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 GLO; 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 Texas General Land Office – Community Development and Revitalization at P.O. Box 12873, Austin, Texas 78711-2873. Potential objectors should contact GLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robert D. "Danny" Pierce, County Judge

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KARI FRENCH, COUNTY CLERK
WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS
By [Signature] Deputy