

PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT FOR PROJECTS
REQUIRING AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

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

May 23, 2018

Amherst County Service Authority (Bob Hopkins, PE)

113 Phelps Rd (PO Box 100)

Madison Heights, VA 24572

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Virginia Relay Center 711#

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 13, 2018, the Amherst County Service Authority (ACSA) will submit a request to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under 42 USC (2010), Title 42, Chapter 69, Section 5305 (14)(b), as amended, to undertake a project known as the Old Town Madison Heights Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project, for the purpose of repairing, refurbishing, and rehabilitating 1930's-era sanitary sewers located in the "Old Town" sections of Madison Heights, VA that are approaching the end of their useful life expectancy. Sanitary sewer sections in the study area are located along the following streets: Main St, 2nd St, 3rd St, 4th St, 5th St, 5th St west of Church St, 6th St, west of 7th St, east of 7th St, 8th St, 9th St, Warrick St, Clark St, Church St, and Chesapeake Dr.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Amherst County Service Authority 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 Amherst County Service Authority office at 113 Phelps Road, Madison Heights, Virginia 24572 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Amherst County Service Authority office at 113 Phelps Road (PO Box 100), Madison Heights, Virginia 24572. All comments received by June 13, 2018 will be considered by the Amherst County Service Authority prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commenters should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Amherst County Service Authority certifies to DHCD that Bob Hopkins, in his capacity as Amherst County Service Authority Director 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 the Amherst County Service Authority to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DHCD will consider objections to its release of funds and the Amherst County Service Authority certification received by June 13, 2018 or a period of fifteen days from its 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 or other officer of the Amherst County Service Authority approved by DHCD; (b) the Amherst County Service Authority 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.

Bob Hopkins, PE (Amherst County Service Authority Director)