

## Combined Notice

Finding of No Significant Impact

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

City of Madras

*Responsible Entity City/County*

February 9, 2022

*Date of Notice*

125 SW "E" Street

*Address*

541-475-2344

*Telephone Number*

Madras, OR 97741

*City/State/Zip*

This Combined Notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Madras.

### Request for Release of Funds

On or about February 28, 2022, the above-named entity will submit a request to the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) for the release of federal Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake the project known as:

Project Title: **Madras Water Distribution Line Improvements Project**

Purpose of nature/scope of project: Replacement of city water pipes, meters and fire hydrants within five street segments. Existing outdated 2" galvanized and 4" and 6" steel pipes will be removed, and new PVC at a minimum of 8" will be installed. An estimate 3,800 linear feet of PVC C900 piping will be installed. Nine fire hydrants will be replaced, and 46 existing services will be upgraded to new standards (new boxes, meters and service lines).

Estimated funding: \$2,343,825 (Community Development Block Grant Funds); \$2,367,190 overall project cost.

Project Location:

Segment A: NE "A" Street

Segment B: SW Madison Street

Segment C: SW Roosevelt Street

Segment D: SW "G" Street

Segment E" SW Lincoln Street

### Finding of No Significant Impact

The City of Madras 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 above address and is available for public review/examination or can be copied weekdays 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM upon request.

### Public Comments

Any individual group or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to Gus Burrell, who is responsible for receiving and responding to comments. Such

written comments should be received at the above address on or before February 25, 2022. All such comments so received will be considered by the City of Madras prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### **Release of Funds**

The City of Madras certifies to OBDD that Richard Ladeby, in his official capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is, upon its approval, the City of Madras may use the Grant funds, and OBDD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

### **Objections to Release of Funds**

OBDD will accept objections to its Release of Funds and City of Madras certification for a period of 15 days following the anticipated submission date or actual receipt of the request for release of funds (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 of Madras.
- B. The City of Madras has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.
- C. The City of Madras has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by OBDD.
- 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 procedure (24 CFR Part 58), and shall be addressed to OBDD at 775 Summer Street NE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97301-1280. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by OBDD.

Potential objectors should contact OBDD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. It is estimated that any objection received after March 18, 2022, will not be considered by OBDD.

Name of Certifying Officer: Richard Ladeby

Title: Madras Mayor

Address: 125 SW "E" Street, Madras, OR 97741