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

5/21/2025 City of Bowling Green P.O. Box 430 Bowling Green, KY 42102-0430 270-393-3000

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Bowling Green.

## REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 6, 2025, the City of Bowling Green will submit a request to the Kentucky Department for Local Government (DLG) for the release of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Assistance (CDBG-DR) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as the Whispering Hills Stormwater Project. The total project cost is estimated at \$1.3 million in CDBG-DR funds.

The project will involve the replacement of an existing culvert underneath Whispering Hills Boulevard in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The project will include ground disturbance in a previously disturbed urban area. No acquisition will be required.

## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Bowling Green has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required.

The City of Bowling Green has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) respecting the project, which sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This assessment is on file at the City of Bowling Green, Neighborhood and Community Services Department, 707 E. Main Ave., Bowling Green, KY, 42101 and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at the Grants Manager's Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

No further environmental review of the project is proposed to be conducted.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with the City's determination are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Bowling Green to the Neighborhood and Community Services Department. Such written comments should be sent to ncs.info@bgky.org or received by City of Bowling Green Neighborhood and Community Services at 707 E. Main Ave., P.O. Box 430, Bowling Green, KY, 42102-0430 on or before June 5, 2025.

All such comments received will be considered prior to authorizing submission of a request for a release of funds or taking any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified on the proceeding sentence. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Bowling Green will undertake the project described above with funds from DLG under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Bowling Green is certifying to the state that City of Bowling Green and Mayor Todd Alcott, in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Bowling Green may use the funds and DLG will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

## OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DLG will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Bowling Green's certification for a period of 15 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 of Bowling Green; (b) the City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by DLG regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DLG; 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 the Department for Local Government, Office of Federal Grants, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Potential objectors should contact DLG to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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