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

October 30, 2025

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

These notices satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) on behalf of the Harris County Flood Control District.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about November 17, 2025 the GLO will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on behalf of the Harris County Flood Control District for the release of Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds appropriated under the Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 (Pub. L. 115-123), as amended., to undertake a project known as the Taylor Gully Channel Conveyance Improvements and Woodridge Stormwater Detention Basin (HCFCD Project IDs: G103-80-30.1-E002/G503-06-00-E003), includes the construction of a wet-bottom stormwater detention basin (SWDB), channel improvements, and bridge/culvert repair within 122.9 acres of land owned by the Flood Control District. This project will improve the stormwater conveyance capacity in Taylor Gully by installing a concrete rectangular low flow section 20-feet wide and 4-feet deep and a bridge at Rustling Elms Drive. Increased flows will be offset by the provision of a wet-bottom stormwater detention basin. The basin will provide 392 acrefeet of detention volume with the objective to reduce flooding and the resulting flood damage along Taylor Gully for storm events up to and including the 500-year event. The total cost of the project is \$39,493,601.33. The proposed project is in the existing Taylor Gully right-of-way (ROW), an 80.4-acre vacant lot, and a 0.8-acre existing access road, totaling 122.9 acres, in the Kingwood area, within both Harris and Montgomery Counties, Texas, and within the San Jacinto River Watershed.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The GLO on behalf of the Harris County Flood Control District 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 Texas General Land Office's Community Development & Revitalization (CDR) Division, located at 1700 Congress Ave., Austin TX 78701-1495, as well as the Harris County Flood Control District, located at 9900 Northwest Freeway, Houston TX 77092, and may be examined or copied weekdays 9A.M to 5 P.M. The ERR will also be made available to the public for review electronically and can be requested at env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Texas General Land Office's Community Development & Revitalization (CDR) Division. All comments received by November 14, 2025 will be considered by the GLO prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The GLO on behalf of the Harris County Flood Control District certifies to HUD that Jet Hays in his capacity as <u>Deputy Director of Integration</u> 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Harris County Flood Control District to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the GLO'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 GLO;
- b) the GLO has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58;
- 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 HUD; 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 HUD Disaster Recovery and Special Issues Division at: 451 7th Street SW, Room 7272, Washington, DC 20410 or by email at disasterrecovery@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jet Hays, Deputy Director of Integration

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