

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

POSTING DATE: June 1, 2022
GRANTEE NAME: County of Somerset
ADDRESS: 300 North Center Avenue, Somerset, PA 15501
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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for an activity to be undertaken by the County of Somerset.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 21, 2022, the County of Somerset (County) will submit a request to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development for the release of federal Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to fund the 17th Street Sidewalk Replacement/Installation, Windber Borough, Somerset County.

ASSESSED ACTIVITY

Project Description: 17th Street Sidewalk Replacement/Installation, **Windber Borough**, Somerset County.
Project Location: 600-700 Blocks of 17th Street, Borough of Windber, Somerset County, PA
Estimated Funding: FY 2021 CDBG
Estimated Total HUD Funded Approximate Amount: \$152,742
Mitigation Measures and Conditions: No mitigation measures required
Project Beginning & Ending: Start: Start: June 2023; Completion: November 2023

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The 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 (NEPA) of 1969 is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file with Somerset County and can be accessed online at www.somersetredevelopment.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Redevelopment Authority of Somerset County, 300 North Center Avenue, Suite 520, Somerset, PA 15501, Attention: Patricia Adamczyk, Deputy Executive Director. Comments may also be submitted via email at patty@somersetredevelopment.org. All comments received by June 20, 2022, will be considered by the County prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County certifies to DCED that Gerald Walker, certifying officer, in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, 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. DCED's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DCED will accept objections to its release of funds and Somerset 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 the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the County's Certifying Officer; (b) the County has omitted a step or failed to make a determination 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 DCED; 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: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development at chrhowe@pa.gov. Potential objectors should contact DCED to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Gerald Walker, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners