

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

POSTING DATE: July 20, 2022  
GRANTEE NAME: County of Somerset  
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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 August 8, 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 water line extension, Somerset Township, Somerset County.

ASSESSED ACTIVITY

**Project Description: Countryside Mobile Home Park Water Line Extension, Somerset Township, Somerset County.** Countryside park has existed for many years and the water is currently supplied by 3 wells for the park's 23 units. The Township intends to use CDBG funding to extend public water supply using the Wells Creek Road water line to the Countryside Mobile Home Park property. This project is only extending a transmission/supply line 496 LF to the very edge of the park property. Specifically, the project includes the following costs: engineering, permits, land rights-of-way, materials and construction. The terminus for the main line that will be owned and operated by Somerset Township Municipal Authority (STMA) is just onto the park property. A master meter will be located at the terminus. In the future, the park owner will extend the water line beyond the STMA Terminus and connect all existing units. Residents will incur any costs as a result of the project. This project is only extending a transmission/supply line to the very edge of the park property. The terminus for the main line that will be owned and operated by Somerset Township Municipal Authority (STMA) is just onto the park property. A master meter will be located at the terminus.

**Project Location:** Wells Creek Road, Friedens, PA 15541, Somerset Township, Somerset County, PA  
**Estimated Funding:** FY 2018 CDBG  
**Estimated Total HUD Funded Approximate Amount:** \$136.616  
**Mitigation Measures and Conditions:** No mitigation measures required  
**Estimated Start/Completion: Start: Fall, 2022 Complete: Winter, 2022/2023**

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](http://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](mailto:patty@somersetredevelopment.org). All comments received by **August 8, 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](mailto: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