

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

Date of Notice Posting: July 25th, 2024

Project Name: Richwood - Flood and Drainage - 24-065-013-E170
State/Local Identifier: 24-065-013-E170 / B-18-DP-48-0002

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the **City of Richwood**

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **August 16th, 2024** the City of Richwood, will submit a request to the General Land Office (GLO) 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 **Richwood - Flood and Drainage - 24-065-013-E170** for the purpose of **providing infrastructure improvements to an area of the City which experiences frequent localized flooding and has inadequate streets and water service.**

Project Location:

All work will occur in the City of Richwood, Brazoria County, Texas at the following locations:

Water Improvements

- Magnolia Ln. from north side of Audubon Woods Dr. (29.06938, -95.41544) south down ROW to point 30' south of Quail Run Dr. (29.06613, -95.41513).
- Quail Run Dr. from Oyster Creek Dr. to ROW aligned with Magnolia Ln. (29.06628, -95.41513)
- Briar Creek St. from Quail Run Dr. to Magnolia Ln.
- 4 Oaks St. from Briar Creek St. east to ROW aligned with Magnolia Ln. (29.06699, -95.41512)

Drainage Improvements

- ROW from point 115' northwest of Audubon (29.06938, -95.41544) south to Quail Run Dr
- Briarcreek St. from Magnolia Ln . to Qual Run Dr.
- Quail Run Dr. from Oyster Creek Dr. east 1,230' (29.06615, -95.41464)
- 4 Oaks St from Briar Creek St. east 622 ' (29.06705, -95.41465)
- ROW from point on northwest side of Briarcrest St. (29.06833, -95.41546) southeast 116' (29.06827, -95.4151)
- ROW from point north of 4 Oaks St. on the northwest side of Briarcreek St. (29.06742, -95.41646) to southeast side of Briarcrest St. (29.06732, -95.41637).

- ROW from point south of 4 Oaks St on northwest side of Briarcreek St. (29.06718, -95.41669) to southeast side of Briarcreek St. (29.06712, -95.41663).
- ROW from point 14' northeast of Quail Run on northwest side of Briarcreek St. (29.0665, -95.41745) to southeast side of Briarcreek St. (29.06642, -95.41737).
- Briarcreek St. from point 40' northeast of 4 Oaks St. southwest 465' to point 100' northeast of Quail Run Dr. (29.06642, -95.41737)
- 4 Oaks St. from Briarcreek St. east 622' (29.06705, -95.41465)
- Quail Run Dr. from point 260' east of Briarcreek St. (29.06613, -95.41673) east 650' (29.06615, -95.41464)
- ROW from point 260' east of Briarcreek St. on north side of Quail Run Dr. (29.06626, -95.41673) to southside of Quail Run Dr. (29.06613, -95.41673).
- ROW at end of Quail Run Dr. and on north side of Quail Run Dr. (29.06625, -95.41519) to southside of Quail Run Dr. (29.06617, -95.41519)

Street Improvements

- Quail Run Dr. from Oyster Creek Drive east to end (1,045 lf)
- Briar Creek St from 290' south of Audubon Woods Dr. south to Quail Run Drive 4 Oaks St. from Briar Creek St. east to end 475'

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

The proposed improvements will improve the existing drainage by conveying it via an underground storm sewer system and outfalling the storm sewer structures to a recently improved drainage ditch. The project will improve the condition of the street by reworking and stabilizing the base material and performing a full street reconstruction. A uniform street section coupled with the addition of an underground storm sewer system will help to convey stormwater away from adjacent homes during future flooding disasters and lessen street inundation during intense rain events. The proposed water main improvements will replace aging water main infrastructure.

Project forecast cost \$2,456,500.00 and will be paid for with \$2,456,500.00 in HUD CDBG-MIT grant funds administered by the General Land Office.

Project Issues: Coastal Zone Management, Floodplain Management, Historic Preservation and Wetlands Protection: A full, detailed list of mitigation measures can be found in the Environmental Review Record.

Project size: Approximately 3.84 acres.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Richwood 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 **City of Richwood City Hall, 1800 Brazosport Blvd N, Richwood, TX** and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the **City of Richwood City Hall, 1800 Brazosport Blvd N, and Richwood, TX 77531 and kgarcia@richwoodtx.gov**. All comments received by **August 15, 2024** or within eighteen (18) days following this posting (whichever is later) will be considered by the City of Richwood prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Richwood certifies to GLO that **Michael Durham**, in their capacity as **Mayor**, 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. GLO's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Richwood to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

GLO will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Richwood'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 City of Richwood; (b) the City of Richwood has omitted a step or failed to make a decision 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 GLO; 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 Heather Lagrone, Texas General Land Office, PO Box 12873, Austin, TX 78711-2873, env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov. Potential objectors should contact GLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Michael Durham, Mayor