

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

**FEBRUARY 26, 2016**

**CITY OF PINEHURST, TEXAS**

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

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

**On or after March 16, 2016 the City of Pinehurst, Texas will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of \$275,000.00 of Texas Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to undertake the following project:**

**TITLE: SEWER IMPROVEMENTS FOR LARK STREET AND HERON STREET  
TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
CONTRACT 7214350**

**PURPOSE:** The City of Pinehurst has original sewer lines and manholes that are aged and deteriorated, resulting in excessive inflow and infiltration of the sewer collection system. The sections of Lark Street and Heron Street have been identified by smoke testing and past maintenance report. The sewer improvements will serve the residential target area which contains 536 persons of which 402 (75%) are of low-to moderate- income

**LOCATION:** The existing six inch lines to be replaced are located on Lark Street from Strickland Drive to Heron Street, on Heron Street from Lark Street at the east side of the city park to the Lark Street on the west side of the City Park and on Lark Street on the west side of the City Park to approximately 521 linear feet to the manhole midway from the City Park to the intersection of Lark Street at 37<sup>th</sup> Street.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Utilizing the pipe bursting method, the existing 6 inch sewer lines will be replaced with the installation of approximately 2,300 linear feet of new 8 inch sewer line, replacement of 6 manholes with new manholes, service reconnections to the new 8 inch sewer line and new cleanouts at property line, pavement and driveway repair and all associated appurtenances.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Pinehurst, Texas 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 Office of the City Administrator, Pinehurst City Hall 2497 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Orange, Texas 77630 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

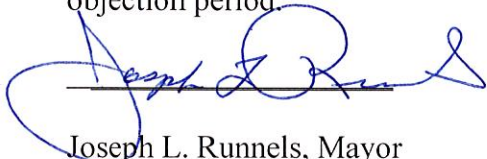
Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the City Administrator, Pinehurst City Hall, 2497 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Orange, Texas 77630. All comments received by March 15, 2016 will be considered by the City of Pinehurst prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Pinehurst, Texas certifies to Texas Department of Agriculture that Joseph L. Runnels in his 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. Texas Department of Agriculture's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Pinehurst, Texas to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Texas Department of Agriculture will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Pinehurst, Texas 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 Pinehurst; (b) the City of Pinehurst 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 Texas Department of Agriculture; 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 Texas Department of Agriculture, Office of Rural Affairs at 1700 N. Congress Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Austin, Texas 78701. Potential objectors should contact Texas Department of Agriculture at 512/936-6724 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.



Joseph L. Runnels, Mayor  
City of Pinehurst, Texas