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

Date of Notice Posting: May 6, 2025

Project Name: Hardin County MIT MOD – Street Drainage - Silsbee

State/Local Identifier: 24-065-065-E596 / 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 **Hardin County.**

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **May 28th, 2025**, Hardin County, 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 **Hardin County MIT MOD** – **Street Drainage - Silsbee, #24-065-065-E596 / B-18-DP-48-0002**

for the purpose of **providing an improved drainage system to the residents of Silsbee in all storm events, including both minor storms and major tropical storm events.**

Project Location:

All work will occur in the City of Silsbee, Hardin County, Texas in the following locations:

- S 6TH ST from W Ave N to W Ave P
- S 7TH ST from W Ave N to W Ave P
- S 7TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 8TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 9TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 10TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 11TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 12TH ST from W Ave N to MLK Jr. Dr.
- S 12TH ST from W Ave N Woodrow St.
- S 14TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to Gerson St.
- S 15TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to W. Ave. P
- S 16TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to W Ave. N
- S 16TH 1/2 ST from W Ave. L south to end 356 l.f.
- S 17TH ST from W Ave. L south to end 363 l.f.
- 17TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to W Ave L
- S 18TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. south to end 1,114 l.f.
- S 19TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to W Ave N
- S 20TH ST from MLK Jr. Dr. to S 20th St.

- W AVE K from S 17th St. to S 14th St.
- W AVE K from S 14th St. to 5th St (Hwy 96)
- W AVE L from S 14th St. to 5th St (Hwy 96)
- W AVE L from S 17th St. to S 16th St.
- W AVE M from S 16th St. to S 14th St.
- W AVE M from S 12th St. to 5th St. (Hwy 96)
- W AVE O from S 7th St. to 5th St. (Hwy 96)
- W AVE O from S 14th St to S 12th St.
- W AVE P from S 6th St. west to end 1,256 l.f.
- ROW ON E SIDE OF AVE P EXD from W Ave P southeast 333 1.f.
- W AVE P from 16th St. to S 14th St.
- W Ave P from S 6th St to 5th St. (Hwy 96)
- BABY GALVEZ RD from Engle Ave west to end 245 l.f.
- BOLL ST from Woodrow St. to Dillon Dr.
- CASE RD From 5th St. (Hwy 96) west to end 461 l.f.
- ROW ON E SIDE OF CHANCE ST from Harris St. to Barefield St.
- DILLION DR from Boll St. to Weevil St
- ROW ON E SIDE OF DURDIN DR from Durdin Rd. to Harris St.
- DURDIN DR from Durdin Dr. to Ikes Ln.
- ENGLE AVE from Barefield St. to Harris St.
- ENGLE AVE from Barefiled St. to Baby Galvez Rd.
- FORRESTER ST from Boll St. south to end 840 l.f.
- GARY LN from Lindsey north to end 514 l.f.
- GEORGE ST from Hendricks Dr. north 640 l.f.
- GERSON ST from Woodrow St. to Engle Ave
- ROW ON E SIDE OF IKES LN from Durdin Dr. N to Ikes Ln then east to Durdin Dr.
- LEOLA ST. from Hendricks Dr. north 657 l.f.
- LINDSEY from Maxell Dr. west to end 4.208 l.f.
- LIVE OAK RD. from 5th St. (Hwy 96) west to end 964 l.f.
- ROW on E side of MAGNOLIA AVE from Barefield St. to Outlaw St.
- ROW on E side of MARSHALL LN from Lindsy to Durdin Dr.
- MAXWELL DR from 5th St. (Hwy 96) to W Ave P
- MYRTLE from 5th St. (Hwy 96) to Marshall Ln
- NORVELL ST from Engle Ave to Durdin Dr.
- OAKWOOD ST. from Lindsey south 735 l.f.
- ROW ON E SIDE OF OUTLAW AVE from Harris St. to Barefield St.
- PINE ST from W Ave N southwest to end 657 l.f.
- PINE ST from W MLK Jr. Dr. to W Ave K
- PINECREST DR. from Marshall Ln. west to end 1,156 l.f.
- ROW starting on the southern end of Oakwood street east to 5th St. (Hwy 96)
- ROW ON NORTH SIDE OF SWEET RD. from S. 19th St. to S 21st. St.
- TURTLE CREEK DR. from 5th St. (Hwy 96) west to end 2.117 l.f.
- WADE DR from Hendricks Dr. N 643 l.f.
- WEEVIL ST. from Forrester St. southeast 227 l.f.
- WOODROW ST from W Ave. N west to 330 l.f. west of Engle Ave.
- WEEVIL ST from Forrester St. to Dillon Dr.

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

Provide Roadside Ditch Improvements. Construction activities will include:

• Culvert Replacements: 2,000 l.f.

• Concrete Headwalls: 2 EA

• Channel Concrete Lining: 3,600 l.f.

• Concrete Roadway Replacement: 2,500 S.Y.

• Roadside Ditch Excavation: 160,000 l.f.

• Seeding/Sodding: 2,500 S.Y.

Project forecast cost \$23,894,500 and will be paid for with \$23,894,500 in HUD CDBG-MIT grant funds administered by the General Land Office.

<u>Project Issues</u>: Endangered Species, Historic Preservation and Wetlands Protection: A full, detailed list of mitigation measures can be found in the Environmental Review Record.

Project Size and Beneficiaries

The total area of disturbance will be 25.58 acres and will impact 2,237 persons. Of those persons, 1,333 or (59.59%) are of low to moderate income.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Hardin 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 of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the **Hardin County Courthouse**, 300 West Monroe Street, Kountze, Texas 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 **Hardin County Courthouse**, **300 West Monroe Street**, **Kountze**, **Texas 77625**. All comments received by **May 27th**, **2025** or within eighteen (18) days following this posting (whichever is later) will be considered by Hardin County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Hardin County certifies to GLO that **Wayne McDaniel**, in their capacity as **County Judge** 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 Hardin County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

GLO will accept objections to its release of funds and Hardin 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 one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Hardin County; (b) Hardin County 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.

Judge Wayne McDaniel