

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

**Date of Notice: 6/23/2025**

City of Freeport, 1201 North Avenue H, Freeport, TX 77541, (979) 233-3526

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

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about 7/15/2025 the City of Freeport will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office 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 Freeport 24-065-007-E164 - Water Improvements. The City of Freeport proposes to improve their existing Water Treatment Plant by constructing a new pump station slab with rain covering and installation of water pumps; rehabilitate an existing pump station including replacement of electrical system and HVAC rehabilitating an existing 500,000-gallon ground storage water tank including replacement of roof vent, hatch, and level indicator; draining, cleaning, and surface prepping the tank coat both inside and outside the tank; and completing all associated appurtenances. This project will not involve acquisition and will include any relocation of utility lines as needed. Construction will take place at the City's existing Water Treatment Facility located at 220 S Avenue F, Freeport, Texas 77541. To request a map of the project area, contact the City at the address, phone number, or email address below. The City of Freeport has been awarded \$1,838,000.00 in grant funds and shall contribute \$0.00 in match funds. Total project cost is \$1,838,000.00.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Freeport 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 Freeport City Hall, 1201 North Avenue H, Freeport, Texas 77541 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. A digital copy of the ERR may be obtained by contacting Lance Petty, City Manager via email [lpetty@freeport.tx.us](mailto:lpetty@freeport.tx.us) or by phone at (979) 233-3526.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the Mayor, City of Freeport, 1201 North Avenue H, Freeport, TX 77541. Comments may also be submitted via email to [lpetty@freeport.tx.us](mailto:lpetty@freeport.tx.us) or by phone at (979) 233-3526. All comments received by 7/14/2025 will be considered by the City of Freeport prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Freeport certifies to the Texas General Land Office that Jerry Cain 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. Texas General Land Office approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Freeport to use HUD program funds.

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The Texas General Land Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Freeport'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 Freeport approved by the Texas General Land Office (b) the City of Freeport 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 the Texas General Land Office; 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, the Texas General Land Office – Community Development and Revitalization at P.O. Box 12873, Austin, Texas 78711-2873, [env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov](mailto:env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov). Potential objectors should contact the Texas General Land Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jerry Cain, Mayor