

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

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Date of Notice: March 9, 2022

Name of Responsible Entity: Shoshone Bannock Tribes

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On or about March 25, 2022, the Shoshone Bannock Tribes will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Healthy Homes Production for Tribal Housing Grant Program (HHPTH), authorized under Section 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. § 1701z-1 and z-2), and funding provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019, P.L. 116-6 approved February 15, 2019 and the Further Consolidated Appropriates Act 2020, P.L. 116-94., approved December 20, 2019 and prior year appropriations. This program is administrated under HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) for the following multi-year program/project: OLHCHH Healthy Homes. This project will be for the purpose of providing assessment and prioritization of health and safety issues with homes located on the Fort Hall Reservation. Homes will be assessed for lead-based paint, radon, asbestos, carbon monoxide, and other related issues regarding healthy homes. A screening identification form will be filled out to assist with the screening process so homes with the great risks are addressed first and foremost over the tenure of the grant. Tribes will be sending out information via the internet, mail and other community flyers encouraging the membership to contact the Land Use Department and/or the Environmental Waste Management Program to ensure all homes are healthy and safe. The Shoshone Bannock Tribes is requesting the release of \$719,544.70 for Federal Assistance with the Shoshone Bannock Tribes Providing a match of \$116,664.73 for the total amount of \$836,209.43.

The proposed hazard control activities to be funded under this/these program(s) is/are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with, when individual projects are ripe for review. Specifically, the target area(s) has/have been studied and compliance with the following laws and authorities has been achieved in this Tier 1 review for all of the items identified in 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5, and §58.6. Site-specific environmental reviews will be conducted to ensure compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities for proposed projects funded. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at Environmental Waste Management Program Office located 4 South Mission Road or located on our website at www.sbt-ewmp.com If you prefer an electronic copy be emailed to you, please

contact Brian Hood at bhood@sbtribes.com and may be examined or copied at EWMP Office weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Shoshone Bannock Tribes' Land Use Department (Brian Hood) or the Environmental Waste Management Program (Kelly Wright). All comments received by March 25, 2022 (at least 10 days from posting of this notice) will be considered by Shoshone Bannock Tribes' Land Use Department prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Shoshone Bannock Tribes certifies to HUD that Devon Boyer in his official capacity as Chairman of the Fort Hall Business Counsel, 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Shoshone Bannock Tribes to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the Shoshone Bannock Tribes certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Shoshone Bannock Tribes; (b) the Shoshone Bannock Tribes has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the Shoshone Bannock Tribes has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (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), and may be addressed to HUD and sent to the email address as follows: Karen M. Griego, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, Program Environmental Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development LeadRegulations@HUD.GOV Potential objectors may contact HUD directly to verify the actual last day of the objection/comment period.

Shoshone Bannock Tribes' Land Use Department Brian Hood, Program Manager and Devon Boyer (FHBC Chairman).