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

November 18, 2022

Scott County Board of Supervisors
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This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements for activities to be undertaken by the County of Scott.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 8th, 2022, Scott County will submit a request to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the release of Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development and/or Appalachian Regional Development funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (PL 93-383), to undertake a project known as the Upper Cliff Mountain Water Project – Phase II, to improve the living conditions of the 20 households through the installation of approximately 16,840 LF of 4-inch, 2-inch, and 3/4-inch water line.

ARC \$	525,000.00	AD grant
CDBG \$	440,000.00	CIG grant
CWDF \$	75,000.00	
<u>LNWS \$</u>	<u>130,535.00</u>	
Total	\$ 1,170,535.00	

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Scott County Board of Supervisors 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 Scott County Administrator’s Office, located at the Scott County Administrative Offices, 190 Beech Street Suite 201 Gate City, VA 24251 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. The ERR will be made available for review upon request electronically via email at fstarnes@scottcountyva.com or by US Mail to 190 Beech Street Suite 201, Gate City, VA 24251.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Scott County Administrator's Office. All comments received by December 6th, 2022 will be considered by the County of Scott prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentors should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION / RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Scott County Board of Supervisors certifies to DHCD that Freda R. Starnes in her capacity as County Administrator 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. DHCD'S approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Scott County Board of Supervisors to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DHCD will consider objections to its release of funds and the Scott County Board of Supervisors' certification received by December 23rd, 2022 or a period of fifteen days from its 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 or other officer of the Scott County Board of Supervisors approved by DHCD; (b) the Scott County Board of Supervisors 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DHCD; 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) and shall be addressed to DHCD at:

Director
Virginia Department of Housing & Community Development
Attn: Program Administration and Assistance Office
Main Street Centre
600 E. Main St., Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23219-2430
(804) 371-7061 [TTP 371-7089 / FAX 371-7093]

Potential objectors should contact DHCD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Freda R. Starnes
County Administrator