

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds
 Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program

The City of The Dalles	6/15/21
Responsible Entity City / County	Date of Notice
313 Court St	541-296-5481
Address	Telephone Number
The Dalles	OR 97058
City	State Zip

On or about June 28th, the City of The Dalles will submit a Request for Release of Funds (RROF) to the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, for its housing rehabilitation program. The purpose of the City of The Dalles' housing rehabilitation program is to use the funds to perform repair and rehabilitation of existing single-family, owner-occupied units located in Wasco and Hood River Counties. Annually, the program rehabilitates over 16 low- to-moderate-income homes with approximately \$250,000 of CDBG funds.

Specific locations of individual units to be rehabilitated cannot be determined prior to the completion of the Area-Wide Environmental Review and the RROF. For the housing rehabilitation activities proposed the City of The Dalles is using a Tiered Environmental Review format and process proposed under HUD Regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act at 24 CFR Part 58.15.

In this first tier, a broad area-wide statutory review of the housing rehabilitation program has identified laws and authorities that we have determined will not be triggered by the location of the rehab program. These laws include: Floodplain Management (24 CFR Part 55 and Executive Order 11988), The Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, The Clean Air Act, The Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, The Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898, and The Explosive and Flammable Operations Standard (24 CFR Part 51C).

In the second tier review, the City of The Dalles identified laws and authorities that must be analyzed with site-specific environmental review checklists for each property location. These laws include: Historic Preservation (36 CFR Part 800), Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Wetland Protection (Executive Order 11990), Toxic Chemicals and Radioactive Materials (24 CFR, Part 58.5(i)) and The Noise Abatement and Control Standard (24 CFR part 51B).

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, along with a copy of The City of The Dalles' policies and processes to be followed for site specific reviews, is on file and may be examined or copied Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 313 Court St., The Dalles, by appointment. Appointments can be arranged by calling 541-296-5481 x1125.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of The Dalles at 313 Court St. The Dalles, OR 97058. All comments received by June 25, 2021 will be considered by the City of The Dalles prior to submission of a request for release of funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS: OBDD will accept any objections to its approval of the release of funds and the City of The Dalles certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or actual receipt of the request for release of funds (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases:

OBDD will accept objections to its Release of Funds only if they are based on one of the following:

- A. The certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of The Dalles .
- B. The City of The Dalles has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.
- C. The City of The Dalles has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by OBDD.
- 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 procedure (24 CFR Part 58), and shall be addressed to OBDD at 775 Summer Street NE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97301-1280. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by OBDD.

Potential objectors should contact OBDD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. It is estimated that any objection received after July 16, 2021 will not be considered by OBDD.

Name of Certifying Officer:	Julie Krueger
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