



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

Date of Notice: June 16, 2021
Name of Responsible Entity: Pueblo of Jemez
Address: P.O. Box 100
City, State, Zip Code: Jemez Pueblo, NM 87024
Telephone #: (575) 834-7359

These Notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Pueblo of Jemez.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about July 2, 2021, Pueblo of Jemez will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Indian Housing Block Grant funds under the Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), as amended, to undertake a project known as Pueblo Place Housing Subdivision Project for the purpose of developing twenty-two (22) new housing units located near mile marker 4 on NM Highway 4 with an estimate cost of \$6,035,066.

FUNDING SOURCES:

<u>NAHASDA IHBG Grant #55IH3503060</u>	<u>NAHASDA IHBG Grant #21ICNM03060</u>	\$5,000,000
FY2021 - \$435,066		
FY2022 - \$200,000		
FY2023 - \$200,000		
FY2024 - \$200,000		

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Pueblo of Jemez has determined 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 Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority, located at 4773 Highway 4; Pueblo of Jemez Library, located at 20 Mission Road; and www.pojha.org may be examined or copies on weekdays from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority, P.O. Box 670, Jemez Pueblo, NM 87024 or via email at pojha@pojha.org. All comments received by **July 1, 2021**, will be considered by the Pueblo of Jemez prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Pueblo of Jemez certifies to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Michael Toledo, Jr., in his capacity as Tribal Governor, 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. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and allow the Pueblo of Jemez and the Pueblo of Jemez Housing Authority to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will accept objections to its release of funds and the Pueblo of Jemez certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if is on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Pueblo of Jemez; (b) the Pueblo of Jemez 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 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; 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 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Southwest Office of Native American Programs at Albuquerque, NM (505) 346-6923. Potential objectors should contact the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Certifying Officer



Michael Toledo, Jr.
Governor, Pueblo of Jemez