

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

May 5, 2010
Washington County Community Services
14949 62nd Street North
Stillwater, MN 55082-0030
651-430-6455

This notice shall satisfy the above cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements.

Project Title:
Washington County HRA -- Trailside Senior Living in Forest Lake (fka Hardwood Trail Senior Apartments)

Location:

Forest Lake, MN

Purpose of Project:

Develop affordable senior housing for Washington County citizens.

Estimated Cost:

\$200,000.00

from the Washington County Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds.

On or about 05-21-10 Washington County will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release HOME funds under Home Investment Partnership Program created by the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (NAHA), as amended to undertake the Washington County HRA -- Trailside Senior Living in Forest Lake (fka Hardwood Trails Senior Apartments)

Finding of No Significant Impact

Washington County 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 Washington County Government Center at 14949 62nd Street North Stillwater, MN 55082-0030 and may be examined weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Public Comments

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to:

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All comments received by 05-20-10 Washington County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentators should specify which part of this notice they are addressing.

Release of Funds

Washington County certifies to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Daniel J. Papin in his capacity as Community Services Director 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 Department of Housing and Urban Development approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Washington County to use program funds.

Objections to Release of Funds

The Department of Housing and Urban Development will accept objections to its release of funds and Washington County's certification received by 06-04-10, or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later and please contact HUD for final date), only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other

officer of Washington County approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development; (b) Washington County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding 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 by the 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 stand point of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to the Minneapolis Office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development at 920 Second Avenue South, Suite 1300, 55402-4012. Potential objectors should contact the Department of Housing and Urban Development to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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