

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

April 1, 2021

Buchanan County Board of Supervisors  
P.O. Drawer 950  
Grundy, VA 24614

(276)-935-6503

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors.

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about April 19, 2021, the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors will submit a request to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (PL 93-383), to undertake a project known as Hurley Phase X (Hunts Fork Road) Water Project for the purpose of providing safe, potable drinking water to the project area's residents.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The Buchanan 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 Buchanan County Public Service Authority's Office, 1023 Old Bennis Branch Road, Oakwood, VA 24614 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors at P.O. Drawer 950, 1012 Walnut Street, Grundy, VA 24614. All comments received by April 19, 2021, will be considered by the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Buchanan County Board of Supervisors certifies to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development that R. Craig Horn in his 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 Buchanan County Board of Supervisors to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

DHCD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Buchanan County's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual 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 of the Buchanan County; (b) the Buchanan County 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 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, Sec. 58.76) 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 23219-230  
(804)-371-7061 [TTP 371-7089 / FAX 371-7093]

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

*R. Craig Horn, County Administrator*

