

**COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT  
and NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS  
and FINAL NOTICE AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A  
FEDERAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD DESIGNATED FLOODPLAIN AND  
WETLAND**

6/6/25

**Madison County, 103 W. Trinity Street, Suite 113, Madisonville, TX 77864, (936) 241-6200**

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited three separate but related procedural notification requirements to be undertaken by Madison County

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about 6/24/25, Madison County (County) will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for the release of Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funding appropriated under the Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 (Pub. L. 115-123), as amended, to undertake a project known as Flood and Drainage Improvements to improve ingress/egress and preserve roadway structural integrity, under GLO Contract #24-065-114-E927.

**Project Descriptions:**

- **Rocky Ridge Lane:** Subrecipient shall demolish and replace culverts; install sloped end treatment; pave, and complete associated appurtenances.
- **Wiseman Road:** Subrecipient shall excavate ditch; demolish and replace culverts; install rip rap; pave, and complete associated appurtenances.
- **Poteet Road:** Subrecipient shall excavate ditch; demolish culverts; install a bridge; pave, and complete associated appurtenances.
- **Lee Lane:** Subrecipient shall excavate ditch; demolish and replace culverts; pave, and complete associated appurtenances.

**Project Locations:** Madison County, TX

Location	Path	Proposed HUD Performance Measures
Rocky Ridge Lane Madisonville 77864	From Carter Road, southwestward 3,200' 30.92439, -95.79664	3,200 Linear Feet (LF)
Wiseman Road Midway 75852	From a point 2,860' east of the intersection of Pearson Road and Wiseman Road, eastward 500' 31.02963, -95.81642	500 LF
Poteet Road Normangee 77871	From a point 2,320' south of the intersection of Poteet Road and Batson Road, southward 400' 31.00352, -96.05224	400 LF
Lee Lane North Zulch 77872	From Zulch Road southeastward 13,500' 30.900762, -96.08149	13,500 LF

**Funding Information**

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
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#22-065-114-E927	MIT - Public Facilities and Improvements – Non-covered Projects – LMI	\$547,800.00
	MIT - Public Facilities and Improvements – Non-covered Projects – UNM	\$364,800.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$912,600.00

Total Non-HUD Funds: \$0.00

**Estimated Total Project Cost** (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]: **\$912,600.00**

#### **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The 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). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to the County at the address above, or by email to [donna.cuevas@madisoncountytexas.org](mailto:donna.cuevas@madisoncountytexas.org).

#### **FINAL NOTICE AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A FEDERAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD (FFRMS) DESIGNATED FLOODPLAIN AND WETLAND**

This is to give notice that the County has, under 24 CFR Part 58, conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, and Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C, Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under The TX General Land Office Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program. The project locations are as stated under REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS, and two locations are located in the riverine FFRMS floodplain. On Rocky Ridge Lane and Wiseman Road, the extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using the Freeboard Value Approach. The activities total approximately 5-acres in the riverine FFRMS floodplain.

According to the USFWS National Wetlands Inventory maps, each project site crosses a wetland:

- Rocky Ridge Lane: crossing one Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland.
- Wiseman Road: crossing one each Riverine and Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland.
- Poteet Road: crossing one Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland.
- Lee Lane: 3 crossings of Riverine Wetlands.

Work will be approached under Nationwide Permit 14, Linear Transportation Projects, with disturbance of less than ½-acre at each crossing. A Preconstruction Notification will not be required.

There will be no adverse effects on the natural values of the floodplain or wetland because best management practices will be followed during construction and the project activities will not change the topography. HUD's 8-Step decision-making process of §55.20 to comply with 24 CFR Part 55 was completed.

The County has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial functions and intrinsic values of the existing floodplain and wetland: Construct elevated bridge structures for each of the zones to span the entire flood zone or drainage way; however, costs of such structures would be too high. Taking no action would incur no costs associated with construction or cause an impact on the environment; however, without performing the project as proposed, flooding of the roads will continue, causing difficulties for County residents to get to and from their homes and for

emergency service providers to respond to emergency situations, and the loss of structural integrity of the roadways.

The County has reevaluated alternatives to building in the floodplain and wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative to floodplain and wetland development. Environmental files documenting compliance with Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690, and Executive Order 11990 are available for public inspection, review and copying as outlined in the paragraph of FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in a floodplain and wetland and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments/objections on the ERR to the County. Written comments received by 6/23/25 will be considered by the County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments shall be addressed to the County at [donna.cuevas@madisoncountytexas.org](mailto:donna.cuevas@madisoncountytexas.org) or by mail to: Madison County, 103 W. Trinity Street, Suite 113, Madisonville, TX 77864, (936) 241-6200, Attn: County Judge's Office. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. Potential objectors should contact the County via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

Madison County certifies to the Texas General Land Office that Clark Osborne, in his capacity as County Judge, 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. GLO's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Madison County to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

GLO will accept objections to its release of funds and the 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 County; (b) the 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 GLO (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 Heather Lagrone, Texas General Land Office, Community Development and Revitalization, P.O. Box 12873, Austin, TX 78711-2873, or [env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov](mailto:env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov). Potential objectors should contact the GLO at (512) 475-5000 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Clark Osborne, County Judge