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

Date of Notice: March 21, 2024

Name of Responsible Entity: Madison County

125 West North Street

P.O. Box 608 Canton, MS 39046

Telephone Number of RE: 601-855-5500

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Madison County.

# REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 9, 2024 Madison County will submit a request to the Mississippi Development Authority for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as City of Raymond Drainage Improvements in the amount of \$618,750 for the purpose of improving the sewer in the Kearney Park neighborhood of Madison County.

#### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Madison 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 the Madison County: Gerald Steen, Board President 125 West North Street Canton, MS 39046. ERR can be examined and is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Lindsay Sellers: Central Mississippi Planning and Development District 1020 Centre Pointe Blvd Pearl, MS 39208. All comments received by April 9, 2024 will be considered by Madison County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

Madison County certifies to the Mississippi Development Authority that Gerald Steen in his capacity as Board President 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Madison County to use Program funds.

The Mississippi Development Authority will accept objections to its release of funds and Madison 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 Madison County; (b) Madison 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 the Mississippi Development Authority; 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 the Mississippi Development Authority Community Incentives Division at P.O. Box 849 Jackson, MS 39205-0849. Potential objectors should contact the Mississippi Development Authority to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Gerald Steen, Board President