

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

10/20/2025

San Patricio County

1301 E. Sinton Street

SINTON, Texas 78387

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REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 11/7/2025 the San Patricio County will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of Community Development Block Grant Program funds under Section 104 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as water and sewer system improvements in the Saint Paul colonia community, CFC24-0101 for the purpose of Install one (1) elevated storage tank (100,000 gallon), including demolition of existing elevated storage tank (50,000 gallon), associated piping, fence, electrical, one (1) new permanent propane generator with concrete pad, propane tank and all associated appurtenances for water treatment plant.

Additionally, install one (1) new permanent propane generator with concrete pad, electrical, and all associated appurtenances for waste water treatment plant.

Additionally, install one (1) new permanent propane generator with concrete pad, electrical, and all associated appurtenances for lift station., and associated administration and/or engineering activities, for an estimated cost of \$1,000,000.00 in HUD funds and \$5,000.00 in non-HUD funds. The project is located as follows: These improvements will take place within the St. Paul Colonia, in San Patricio County. The proposed elevated storage tank improvements will be located at the St. Paul WSC Water Plant at the site of the existing elevated storage tank at 10441 County Rd 2323, Sinton, TX 78387. The three generators will be located at the Water Plant, WWTP and Lift Station within St. Paul colonia. If funds allow, the project will also include

Project alternatives: The alternatives to the installation of a new elevated storage tank include the following within the approximate project location:

1. Installation of a hydro-pneumatic tank in lieu of elevated storage. The community would lose fire flow storage capacity without elevated storage.
2. Installation of a standpipe in lieu of an elevated tank. Fire flow would be maintained but some reduction in system pressure may be required.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The San Patricio 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 1301 E Sinton Street, Sinton, Texas 78387 and may be examined or copied weekdays at 8:00AM - 5:00PM, Monday - Friday.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at 1301 E Sinton Street, Sinton, Texas 78387 and may be examined or copied 8:00AM - 5:00PM, Monday - Friday.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the San Patricio County Annex at mcooper@sanpatriciocountytx.gov. All comments received by 11/7/2025 will be considered by the San Patricio County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The San Patricio County certifies to the State of Texas that David Krebs in his/her 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. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the San Patricio County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State will accept objections to its release of fund and the San Patricio 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 San Patricio County (b) the San Patricio 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 State; 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 Texas Department of Agriculture at CDBG_EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov or PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact the State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

David Krebs, County Judge