

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF A
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT (FONSI)
COMBINED NOTICE**

March 3, 2016

Fairfield County Board of Commissioners
210 East Main Street
Lancaster, OH 43130

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

Fairfield County proposes to request the State of Ohio to release Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project:

Project Name: Fairfield County CDBG Program
Source of Federal Funds: CDBG funds
Description of the Project: Rehabilitate 1,370 LF of storm sewer, 14 catch basins and 4 manholes along Johnson Street
Single or Multi-Year Project: Single
Location: Village of Baltimore, Ohio
Estimated Cost of Project: \$126,300

Project Name: Fairfield County CDBG Program
Source of Federal Funds: CDBG funds
Description of the Project: Rehabilitate 500 LF of sanitary sewer and 3 manholes north of W. Maple Street
Single or Multi-Year Project: Single
Location: Village of Baltimore, Ohio
Estimated Cost of Project: \$33,300

Project Name: Fairfield County CDBG Program
Source of Federal Funds: CDBG funds
Description of the Project: Install 1,800 LF of sidewalk and 12 curb cuts along E. Market Street
Single or Multi-Year Project: Single
Location: Village of Baltimore, Ohio
Estimated Cost of Project: \$60,000

Project Name: Fairfield County CDBG Program
Source of Federal Funds: CDBG funds
Description of the Project: Repave 1,350 LF of Mill Street
Single or Multi-Year Project: Single
Location: Village of Baltimore, Ohio
Estimated Cost of Project: \$90,000

It has been determined that such Request for Release of Funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly Fairfield County has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.

Environmental Review Records (ERR) for the Project listed above has been conducted by Fairfield County. The ERR documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. The ERR is on file and available for the public's examination and copying, upon request, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays) at the above address.

No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted, prior to the request for release of Federal funds. Fairfield County plans to undertake the project described with the Federal funds cited above. Any interested person, agencies, and/or groups, who have any comments regarding the environment or who disagree with this Finding of No Significant Impact decision, are invited to submit written comments for consideration to the Commissioners' Office at the address above listed by 4:00 p. m. on March 18, 2016, which is at least 15 days after the publication of this combined notice. A notice regarding the responsible entity's intent to request release of funds is listed immediately below.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI/RROF)

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

On or about, but not before, March 21, 2016, Fairfield County will request the State of Ohio to release Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the project listed above

The County is certifying to the State of Ohio, that Fairfield County and Carri Brown, in her official capacity as Administrator, consent to accept the jurisdiction of Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, Fairfield County may use the Federal funds, and the State of Ohio will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.

The State of Ohio will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following grounds: (a) the certification was not, in fact, executed by the responsible entity's Certifying Officer; (b) the responsible entity has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to Section 58.40 or to make the written determination required by section 58.35, 58.47, or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; c) the responsible entity has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subpart E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Assessment; d) the responsible entity has omitted on or more of the steps set forth at Subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, e) the recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by State, or f) 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.

Written objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58), and must be addressed to the: State of Ohio; Environmental Officer; Office of Housing and Community Partnerships; P. O. Box 1001; Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001.

Objections to the Release of Funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the State of Ohio. No objections received after April 7, 2016, (which is 15 days after it is anticipated that the State will receive a request for release of funds), will be considered by the State of Ohio.

The address of the certifying officer is:

Carri Brown, Administrator
Fairfield County Board of Commissioners
210 East Main Street
Lancaster, OH 43130

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