COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO AUTHORIZE USE OF FUNDS

Date of Notice Posting: September 6, 2022

Project Name: Santa Fe ARPA TX1378 EA-drainage **FAIN (Federal Award Identification Number)#** 1378 EA **Responsible Entity:** City of Santa Fe

Contact:

City of Santa Fe 12002 State Hwy 6 Santa Fe, Texas (409) 925-6412 Email:rzepeda@ci.santa-fe.tx.us

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by **the City of Santa Fe**.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 27, 2022, the City of Santa Fe, will authorize the use of grant funds for a project known as Santa Fe ARPA TX1378 EA-drainage for the purpose of making storm drainage improvements to reduce localized flooding in the area.

Drainage Improvements:

The project will occur in the City of Santa Fe, Galveston County, Texas in the following location:

• Existing ROW starting at a point 300 L.F. southeast of the intersection of 7th St. and Ave. P (29.38163, -95.09782) to Hwy 6 (29.37585, -95.09765).

The project includes the installation of 2,272 LF of 5'x5' and 8'x 5' RCP and 100 LF of 24" RCP. This new storm drain is to relieve the water off the two subdivisions and thirty-two businesses along HWY 6 and on the south side of the train track. This new storm drain is designed to hold a lot of water and will tie into the existing ditch at WHY 6 and take the water to the Highland Main drainage ditch. The design has 8' by 8' concrete boxes down the Ave P right of way. The project also includes a 20' Storm Sewer Easement.

Land Acquisition

Grantee shall acquire rights-of-way as needed to accommodate construction and carry out all acquisition of needed easements and/or rights-of-way in compliance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.).

Professional Services including Grant Administrator and Project Engineer activities.

Project size: Approx. 2.6 acres disturbed.

Funding:

Project will cost approximately \$2,100,000 and will be paid for with \$2,100,000 in ARPA grant funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The **City of Santa Fe** 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 **City of Santa Fe, 12002 State Hwy 6, Santa Fe, Texas,** and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Santa Fe, 12002 State Hwy 6, Santa Fe, Texas, Attn: Alun Thomas, Acting City Manager. All comments received by September 26, 2022, or within eighteen (18) days following this posting (whichever is later) will be considered by the City of Santa Fe prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commenters should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The **City of Santa Fe** certifies that **Alun Thomas** in their capacity as **Acting City Manager** 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. This certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the **City of Santa Fe** to use grant funds.

OBJECTIONS TO AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF FUNDS

The City will accept objections to its use of funds and the City of Santa Fe'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 City of Santa Fe; (b) the City of Santa Fe; has omitted a required step or failed to make a required decision or finding; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized before approval of use of funds; or (d) a Federal agency has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be received by October, 12 2022.

Alun Thomas, Acting City Manager