### NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS Date of Notice: July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

City of Daingerfield, 101 Linda Dr., Daingerfield, TX 75638-2105,

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

# **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 the City of Daingerfield will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture - Office of Rural Affairs (TDA-ORA) for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as Daingerfield Sewer Improvements - Manhole Replacement and Rehabilitation. The purpose of Administrative and Engineering Fees and Services as well a s replace approximately nineteen (19) manholes, rehabilitate approximately thirty (30) manholes, and all associated appurtenances. This a non-critical habitat and does not involve acquisition. It is citywide – southern portion of Daingerfield, Texas (Morris County). The City of Daingerfield has been awarded \$500,000.00 in grant funds and shall contribute \$25,000.00 in match funds.

# FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Daingerfield 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 Daingerfield City Hall, 101 Linda Dr., Daingerfield, Texas 75638-2105 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. A digital copy of the ERR may be obtained by contacting Michelle Jones, City Manager via email michelle.jones@cityofdaingerfield.com or by phone at (903) 645-3906.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the City Manager. Comments may also be submitted via email to michelle.jones@cityofdaingerfield.com. All comments received by July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 will be considered by the City of Daingerfield prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

# ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Daingerfield certifies to TDA-ORA that in their capacity as 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. TDA-ORA approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Daingerfield to use HUD program funds.

# **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

TDA-ORA will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Daingerfield'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 Daingerfield approved by TDA-ORA (b) the City of Daingerfield 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 TDA-ORA; 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 Annessa Lewis, Environmental Review Specialist of Agriculture The Texas Department of Office of Rural Affairs. via email at \_ CDBG EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact TDA-ORA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Michelle Jones, City Manager