



**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
AND
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

City of Portland, Oregon

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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about February 4, 1985 the City of Portland will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release Federal funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) to be used for the following project:

Improvements to streets in Lents Area 100-yr. floodplain. Streets to be improved in area bounded by S.E. Steele, S.E. 102nd, Johnson Creek and I-205; also S.E. Knapp (83rd to 92nd) and S.E. Rural (87th to 92nd).

It has been determined that this request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Portland has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190).

The reasons for proceeding with this project are as follows:

1. There are no practical alternatives to the floodplain location. Numerous streets within the area are unimproved or below city standards, do not qualify for maintenance, and are sometimes impassable due to flooding. The neighborhood is in need of new streets and drainage to increase neighborhood livability and pedestrian / traffic safety.
2. The improvements will include installation of adequate drainage facilities to mitigate adverse effects on the floodplain and aquifer. Test sumps will be constructed prior to street construction to assure feasibility. The sumps/piping system will eliminate standing water and related drainage problems in the area.
3. The mitigation measures will improve floodplain values, and improve accessibility to emergency vehicles.
4. The project is in compliance with state and local comprehensive plans.

An Environmental Review Record of this project has been made by the City of Portland, Bureau of Community Development which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why an Impact Statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

NO FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THIS PROJECT IS PROPOSED TO BE CONDUCTED.

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Portland, Bureau of Community Development. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before 15 calendar days from the date of this publication. All comments so received will be considered, and the City of Portland, Bureau of Community Development will not take any administrative action on this project prior to the end of this comment period.

The City of Portland, Bureau of Transportation Engineering, will undertake this project with federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Portland is certifying to HUD that the City of Portland J. E. Bud Clark, in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decisionmaking, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Portland may use funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

HUD 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 bases:

- a) That the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer or other officer approved by HUD, or
- b) That the applicant's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure, (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to HUD at:
**Department of Housing and Urban Development
Environmental Review Officer
520 SW Sixth Ave.
Portland, Oregon 97204**

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after fifteen days from the date of receipt of the request for release of funds by HUD will be considered.

J. E. BUD CLARK, Mayor
City of Portland



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