NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS STATE OF VERMONT

July 31, 2025

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Request for Release of Funds

On or about August 8, the Town of Salisbury will submit a request to the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development (the Agency) to release the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), the National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, to undertake the project known as the Salisbury Town Hall and Salisbury Free Public Library for the purpose of building renovations. The project is located at 918 Maple St, Salisbury, VT 05769. The total estimated cost of the project is \$1,530,425; approximately \$1,380,425 from various grant funding sources, and \$150,000 in anticipated CDBG funding. The scope of work includes renovations to make the building physically accessible for people with disabilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents environmental determinations for this project is on file at the municipal office of the Town of Salisbury, 25 Schoolhouse Rd, Salisbury, VT 05769 as of the date of this Notice, and may be examined or copied during Town office hours Tuesdays: 9:00 - 3:00, Thursdays:11:00 - 6:00, and by appointment, or otherwise as posted on the website: www.townofsalisbury.org.

Public Comments

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Town of Salisbury, Selectboard Chair Pat Dunn at the following email address: vermontadvisor@gmail.com. All comments received by August 8, 2025 will be considered by the Town of Salisbury prior to authorizing the submission of a request for release of funds.

Environmental Certification

The Town of Salisbury is certifying to the Agency that Pat Dunn, in his official capacity as Selectboard Chair, 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 Agency's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Town of Salisbury to use the CDBG funds.

Objections to Release of Funds

The Agency will accept objections to its release of funds and the Town of Salisbury'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, Pat Dunn; (b) the Town 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 Agency; 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 the Attn: Environmental Officer, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, One National Life Drive, Davis Building, 6th Floor, Montpelier, Vermont 05620. Potential objectors should contact the Agency to verify the actual last date of the objection period.