

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

Date of Notice: 9/16/2024

Kleberg County, 700 E. Kleberg, Kingsville, Texas 78364, (361) 595-8585

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Kleberg County.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 10/7/2024 Kleberg County will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office for the release of Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds appropriated under the Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 (Pub. L. 115-123), as amended, to undertake a project known as Kleberg County 22-085-031-D272 – Flood and Drainage Improvements Project. The County proposes the Johnston Street Drainage Improvements, the Kenedy Avenue Drainage Improvements, and the Perimeter Blvd Drainage Improvements. The Johnston Street Drainage Improvements include installing concrete riprap, wing walls and box culverts, pavement repair, and all associated appurtenances. The Kenedy Avenue Drainage Improvements are approximately 1,600 linear feet and include removing the current underground storm sewer and installing a new one, removing and replacing existing concrete headwalls and reinforced concrete pipes (RCPs), replacing the existing outfall, installing all necessary tie-ins, removing and installing storm water drain inlets, installing manholes, repairing pavement, and all associated appurtenances. The Perimeter Boulevard Drainage Improvements are approximately 7,500 linear feet and include regrading the ditch, installing articulated blocks or concrete liner, clearing debris, and all associated appurtenances. This project will not require acquisition as the proposed activities occur within the existing right-of-way. If funds allow, the county proposes to add a flap valve to the easternmost portion of the Kenedy Ave Improvements that intersect with Tranquitas Creek, to construct a flood gage station at the Johnston Street Drainage Improvements, and the General Cavazos Blvd Drainage Improvements which are approximately 5,000 linear feet and include ditch regrading, installing articulated blocks or concrete liner, clearing debris, and all associated appurtenances. The proposed project is located near Kingsville, Kleberg County, Texas. Construction will take place at the following locations:

Flood and Drainage Activities	Location	Approximate Length in Linear Feet (LF)	From (approximate coordinate)	To (approximate coordinate)
Johnston Street	Located from approximately six hundred and eighty-five linear feet (685 LF) north of the W Trant Road and County Road 1030 intersection to approximately one-hundred fifty linear feet (100 LF) north.	150	27.485176°, -97.873374°	27.485471°, -97.873361°
Kenedy Avenue	Located from approximately 430' east of the East Kenedy Avenue and State Highway 77 service road intersection to approximately 1,650' eastward to the end of the avenue.	1,600	27.514853°, -97.838883°	27.5149°, -97.833906°
Perimeter Blvd	From the intersection of Caesar Avenue and Perimeter Boulevard intersection, south towards East General Cavazos Blvd/CR 1356 then west down East General Cavazos Blvd/CR 1356 to its intersection with East Carlos Truan Blvd/CR 425.	7,500	27.507186°, -97.824328°	27.491732°, -97.830775°

Alternative Flood and Drainage Activity	Location	Approximate Length in Linear Feet (LF)	From (approximate coordinate)	To (approximate coordinate)
General Cavazos Blvd	Located from the end of the Perimeter Boulevard Drainage Improvements at the East General Cavazos Blvd/CR 1356 and East Carlos Truan Blvd/CR 425 intersection to the General Cavazos	5,000	27.491732°, -97.830775°	27.491698°, -97.845931°

Blvd and State Highway 77 service road intersection.			
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To request a map of the project area, contact the County at the address, phone number, or email address below. Kleberg County has been awarded \$10,000,000 in grant funds and shall contribute \$101,010 in match funds. The total project cost is \$10,101,010.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Kleberg County 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 Kleberg County Courthouse, 700 E. Kleberg, Kingsville, Texas 78364, and may be examined or copied on weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. A digital copy of the ERR may be obtained by contacting the Frances Garcia, Judge's Assistant, via email fgarcia@co.kleberg.tx.us or by phone at (361) 595-8585.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the County Judge, 700 E. Kleberg, Kingsville, Texas 78364. Comments may also be submitted via email to fgarcia@co.kleberg.tx.us or by phone at (361) 595-8585. All comments received by 10/4/2024 will be considered by Kleberg County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Kleberg County certifies to the Texas General Land Office that Rudy Madrid in their capacity as County Judge 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. Texas General Land Office approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Kleberg County to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas General Land Office will accept objections to its release of funds and Kleberg County'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 Kleberg County approved by the Texas General Land Office (b) Kleberg County 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 Texas General Land Office; 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 Heather Lagrone, the Texas General Land Office – Community Development and Revitalization at P.O. Box 12873, Austin, Texas 78711-2873, env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov. Potential objectors should contact the Texas General Land Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Rudy Madrid, County Judge