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

April 22, 2022

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347 (503) 879-2404

These Notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon (CTGR) Engineering and Planning department.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 22nd 2022 the CTGR will submit a request to HUD for the release of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG B18SR410530) funds under Title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to undertake a project known as Language Education Building Project, for the purpose of constructing a new 6,642 square foot, one-story school building, and an open and largely flat vacant lot. The new building, comprised of six classrooms, an administrative office area with break room, restrooms and other support areas, entry, and circulation space. The Work will also include excavation, site grading and site utility connections to existing utility lines in the street. Other site improvements include a new 13-space, asphalt paved parking lot with approach drives, as well as associated concrete curbs, sidewalks, and storm drainage. Landscaping of the area around the new building, parking lot & street-side medians and adjoining areas is also included.

Location (Address): 9615 Grand Ronde Rd, Grand Ronde, OR 97347 Estimated Total Cost \$3,448,000 Grant Amount \$ 500,000

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The CTGR 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 (NEPA) of 1969 is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Assessment (EA) on file at the Public Works Department, 9615 Grand Ronde, OR, 97347 and may be examined or copied weekdays (8) A.M. to (5) P.M. The EA will be available to the public for review either electronically, or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to:

Ryan Webb, Engineering and Planning Manager The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde OR 97347 U.S. mail requests must be postmarked no-later-than May 10, 2022, to meet the Request for Release of Funds date of May 10, 2022 reporting date

Additionally, the EA will be available via a file sharing link by emailing Ryan Webb at <u>Ryan.Webb@grandronde.org</u>. Please place "Request to Review EA" in the email subject line. An email reply will follow with a link to the file sharing website.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any interested agencies, groups or persons disagreeing with the decisions are invited to submit email comments to Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and to <u>Tom.Carney@hud.gov</u>. This publication is in response to the COVID19 National Disaster, and we are publishing under the Emergency Provision at 24 CFR 58.33 which allows tribes to publish the combined Finding of No Significant Impact and Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds (FONSI/NOI-RROF) simultaneously with the submission of the RROF to HUD. The funds are needed on an emergency basis due to a declared disaster. All comments received by May 10, 2022, will be considered by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and HUD prior to the release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The CTGR certifies to HUD that Cheryle A. Kennedy in her capacity as Tribal Council Chairwoman 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. HUD's acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and allows the CTGR to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde certification for a period of 18 days during the simultaneous comment period under the emergency provision of 24 CFR Part 58.33. Objections may be submitted to HUD on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (b) the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 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 HUD; 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 submitted to the HUD designated email address: Tom.Carney@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.