

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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City of Duncombe  
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On or after May 1, 2025, the City of Duncombe will submit a request to the State of Iowa, Iowa Economic Development Authority for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 as amended (P.L. 97-35), to undertake the following project:

**Project Title:** Duncombe Wastewater Treatment Plant Lagoon Improvements

**Purpose:** Installing new piping, replacing deteriorated structures, implementing erosion stone, and removing sludge to improve the operational capabilities of the existing three-cell Controlled Discharge Lagoon wastewater treatment facility to improve capacity and meet IDNR's Ammonia Nitrogen Limits.

**Location:** At the existing lagoons near Boise St, Duncombe, IA 50532

**Estimated Cost:** Total cost \$2,241,060 with \$500,000 in HUD funding

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 the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Duncombe City Hall located at 421 Main St, Duncombe, IA 50532 and may be examined or copied weekdays 7:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. The ERR is also available at MIDAS Council of Governments, 602 1<sup>st</sup> Ave S, Fort Dodge, IA 50501 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Duncombe, City Clerk. All comments received by April 30, 2025, will be considered by the City of Duncombe prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Duncombe certifies to the Iowa Economic Development Authority that Zachary Trent in his capacity as Mayor 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 Iowa Economic Development Authority approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Duncombe to use HUD program funds.

### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Iowa Economic Development Authority will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Duncombe'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 Duncombe; (b) the City of Duncombe 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 Iowa Economic Development Authority; 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 Iowa Economic Development Authority at 1963 Bell Avenue, suite 200, Des Moines, IA 50315. Potential objectors should contact the Iowa Economic Development Authority to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Zachary Trent, Mayor



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