

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

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and Stearns County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 11, 2026, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency will submit a request to the HUD administering agency for the release of HUD Risk Share Mortgage Insurance Program funds under Section 542(c) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Public and Indian Housing Project Based Voucher funds under Section 8(o)(13) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(13)), as amended, and Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) Program funds under the Frank Melville Supportive Housing Investment Act of 2010 to undertake a project known as Third Rapids Apartments for the purpose of the construction of 48 units of permanent multifamily residential housing. The project will have estimated project costs of \$21,291,601, an estimated HUD Risk Share loan of \$1,400,000, 8 units that may use Project Based Vouchers, and 5 units that may use Section 811 PRA. The project will be located at the southwest corner of Pine Cone Road and 15th Street South, Sartell, MN 56377.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency 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 Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, 400 Wabasha Street North, Suite 400, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102, where the ERR can be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M. The ERR will also be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by email to aaron.keniski@state.mn.us.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments on the ERR to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. All comments received by October 10, 2026 will be considered

by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency certifies to HUD that James Lehnhoff in his capacity as Certified Environmental Officer 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 approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency'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 Minnesota Housing Finance Agency; (b) the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency 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 via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Minnesota Office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Multifamily at Ray.Stiles@hud.gov and to the Minnesota Office of HUD, Public Housing at Lucia.M.Clausen@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

James Lehnhoff, Certifying Officer
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency