

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

June 15, 2024

Anne Arundel County, Maryland
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **July 5, 2024**, Anne Arundel County, Maryland will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) grant funding from the Consolidated Appropriations Act FY-2023 to undertake the **Odenton MARC Station** project at 1400 Odenton Road, Odenton, MD 21113. The proposed improvements will enhance the functionality of the existing parking lot, allowing the surrounding community to more effectively use the train station and meet the needs of the surrounding community who may otherwise not have been able to use the train station due to a lack of parking availability. This will help the community expand and have a broader reach. Anne Arundel County, Maryland, will be requesting the release of \$4,000,000 of CPF funds. In addition to HUD funds, project funds include county funds as well as state grants. The total project cost is approximately \$55,993,000.00

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Anne Arundel County, Maryland has determined the Odenton MARC Station 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 Arundel Center at the above address, and may be examined or copied upon request weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Anne Arundel County Government. Attention: Caren Bortz, Grants Manager, at the above address or by email to caren.bortz@aacounty.org. All comments received by **June 30, 2024** will be considered by Anne Arundel County, Maryland prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Anne Arundel County, Maryland certifies to HUD that Christine M. Anderson, in her capacity as the Chief Administrative Officer for Anne Arundel County, Maryland, 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 Anne Arundel County, Maryland to use program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and Anne Arundel County, Maryland's certification for a period of fifteen (15) 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 basis: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Anne Arundel County, Maryland; (b) Anne Arundel County, Maryland 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 Attention: Ms. Ebony Madyun, CPD Director, Baltimore Field Office, Bank of America Tower II 100 South Charles Street, 5th Floor, Baltimore MD, 21201. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Christine M. Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer
Anne Arundel County, Maryland