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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI-RROF)

**KIMBERLY JONES VILLAGE
WEST CATON ROAD, LUMBERTON, ROBESON COUNTY, NC 28358**

July 14, 2026

Name of Responsible Entity and Recipient: North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR), P.O. Box 110465, Durham, NC 27709. Contact: Production and Mitigation Director Jeffrey Royal (984) 833-5356.

Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.43, this combined Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds (FONSI/NOI-RROF) satisfies two separate procedural requirements for project activities proposed to be undertaken by NCORR.

Project Description: NCORR is responsible for the direct administration of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) program in North Carolina. NCORR proposes to provide CDBG-MIT funding of \$5,000,000.00 from the Public Housing Restoration Fund Program and \$4,761,711.46 from the Infrastructure Recovery Program for the Kimberly Jones Village project (“Proposed Project”) located on West Caton Road (NC 72 West) in Lumberton, Robeson County, NC 28358. The Proposed Project will develop up to 10 acres of the approximately 30.84-acre parcel owned by the Housing Authority of the City of Lumberton (HACL) identified as Robeson County Parcel ID #16100100502 and PIN #938201446100 (Subject Property). The Proposed Project is anticipated to have a total cost of \$26,000,000.00. In 2021, NCORR received HUD’s Authority to Use Grant Funds for this Proposed Project and awarded \$1,169,819.54 towards project activities. The Proposed Project, formerly known as the Hilton Heights and Myers Park Replacement Project, has not begun construction and this constitutes a new Environmental Assessment.

The Kimberly Jones Village project involves new construction of a multifamily, public housing complex with up to 72 units in five residential apartment buildings, a community center, two covered picnic shelters, bus shelter, paved parking areas, landscaping, and associated infrastructure. There will be updates to West Caton Road within the 90-foot proposed right-of-way, including construction of a median and left and right turn lanes, which will provide safe access to the development. The proposed development aims to provide public housing for low-income families and replace the 72 units at nearby Hilton Heights and Myers Park which were left uninhabitable from the effects of Hurricane Matthew. The public housing inventory shortage was

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exacerbated by the effects of the landfall of Hurricanes Matthew (October 8, 2016) and Florence (September 14, 2018). NCORR is also administering NC Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Mitigation Services Division funding awarded for this Proposed Project.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

An Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Project has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and HUD environmental review regulations at 24 CFR Part 58. The EA is incorporated by reference into this FONSI. Subject to public comments, no further review of the Proposed Project is anticipated. NCORR has determined that the EA for the project identified herein complies with the requirements of HUD environmental review regulations at 24 CFR Part 58. NCORR has determined that the Proposed Project will have no significant impact on the human environment and therefore does not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement under NEPA.

Public Review: Public viewing of this public notice, EA, and environmental review record is available online at <https://www.rebuild.nc.gov/about/plans-policies-reports/environmental-reviews> under Public Housing Restoration Fund Program and Infrastructure Recovery Program. Documents may be viewed in person by appointment only at: NCORR, 200 Park Offices Drive, Durham, NC 27709; call (984) 833-5356 to make an appointment.

Further information may be requested by writing to the above address, emailing NCORR.PublicComments@ncdps.gov or calling (984) 833-5356. This combined notice is being sent to individuals and groups known to be interested in these activities, local news media, appropriate local, state and federal agencies, the regional office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency having jurisdiction, and the HUD Field Office, and is being posted to the NCORR ReBuild NC website above.

Public Comments on the FONSI and/or NOI-RROF: Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the Proposed Project. The public is hereby advised to specify in their comments which “notice” their comments address. Comments should be submitted via email, in the proper format, on or before July 29, 2026, at NCORR.PublicComments@ncdps.gov. Written comments may also be submitted by mail, in the proper format, to be received on or before July 29, 2026, and addressed to: Director Jeffrey Royal, NCORR Production and Mitigation, ATTN: Kimberly Jones Village Project, P.O. Box 110465, Durham, NC 27709. All comments must be received on or before July 29, 2026 or they will not be considered. If modifications result from public comment, these will be made prior to proceeding with the submission of a request for release of funds.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS AND CERTIFICATION

On or after July 30, 2026, the NCORR Certifying Officer will submit a request and certification to HUD for the release of CDBG-MIT funds as authorized by related laws and policies for the purpose of undertaking this project under the North Carolina CDBG-MIT Public Housing Restoration Fund Program and Infrastructure Recovery Program.

NCORR certifies to HUD that Jeffrey Royal, in his capacity as Certifying Officer, and his legally authorized successors, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the U.S. 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 NCORR to use CDBG-MIT program funds.

Objection to Release of Funds: HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and NCORR's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later). Potential objectors should contact HUD or the NCORR Certifying Officer to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

The only permissible grounds for objections claiming a responsible entity's non-compliance with 24 CFR Part 58 are: (a) certification was not executed by NCORR's Certifying Officer; (b) the responsible entity 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 HUD's release of funds and approval of environmental certification; or (d) another federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 or subsequent pertinent regulation 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 58.76) and shall be addressed to Tennille Smith Parker, Director, Office of Disaster Recovery, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, Phone: (202) 402-4649, or emailed to disaster_recovery@hud.gov.

Jeffrey Royal
Certifying Officer
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