

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

April 23, 2010

City of Salinas
Housing Division
Community Development Department
200 Lincoln Avenue
Salinas, CA 93901
(831) 758-7334

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey (HACM).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about May 12, 2010 the City of Salinas may authorize the Housing Authority of the County Monterey to submit a request for the release of one or more of the following funds:

- Multifamily Housing Program (MHP) funds authorized under Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2 of Division 31, Health and Safety Code;
- City of Salinas' HOME Program authorized under Title II of Public Law No. 101-625, 104 Stat. 4079 (Nov. 28, 1990), (42 USC 12701), known as the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Public Law No. 102-550; and
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC) funds authorized under Section 252 of Public Law No. 99-514 (October 22, 1986), known as the Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986, as amended, and Chapter 658, California Statutes of 1987, as amended, and Chapter 1138, California Statutes of 1987, as amended. F

The above funds will be used to undertake a project known as Hacienda Plaza for the purpose of disposition and demolition of the existing 100-unit public housing facility.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Salinas 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 City of Salinas, Housing Division, Community Development Department, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, CA 93901, or Housing Authority of the County of Monterey, 134 E. Rossi Street, Salinas, CA, 93906 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M. (Monday through Thursday)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the HACM, 123 Rico Street, Salinas, CA 93907. All comments received by May 11, 2010 will be considered by the City of Salinas prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Salinas certifies to HUD/San Francisco Regional Office that Artie Fields in his capacity as City Manager 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/San Francisco Regional Office approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey to use LIHTC, MHP and City of Salinas HOME Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD/San Francisco Regional Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Salinas' 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 Salinas; (b) the City of Salinas 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/San Francisco Regional Office; 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 HUD/San Francisco Regional Office at 600 Harrison Street, 3rd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94107-1300. Potential objectors should contact HUD/San Francisco Regional Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Artie Fields, City Manager, City of Salinas