

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

April 12, 2024

County of Greene  
411 Main Street  
Catskill, NY 124146

On or about April 22, 2024, Greene County will submit a request to the New York State Office of Community Renewal for the release of CDBG funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to provide a grant to Gray Willow Inc. who intends to renovate, furnish, and equip approximately 4,000 square feet of space at 2168 Route 81 in Earlton, NY to create a full-service restaurant, indoor and outdoor gathering spaces, state of the art brewery and a full bar. The total project cost is estimated to be \$494,856 with \$188,856 from NYS CDBG.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Review Policy Act requirements. An environmental review record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the offices of Greene County Economic Development located at 411 Main Street, Catskill, New York 12414 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 9:00 AM to 4:45 PM.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Greene County Economic Development located at 411 Main Street, Catskill, New York 12414. All comments received by close of business April 19, 2024, will be considered by Greene County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### RELEASE OF FUNDS

Greene County certifies to the Office of Community Renewal that Patrick Linger, in his capacity as Chair, 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 Office of Community Renewal's acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Greene County to use Program funds.

### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Office of Community Renewal will accept objections to its release of fund and Greene County'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 Greene County; (b) Greene County 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 Office of Community Renewal; 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 Crystal Loffler, President, at Office of Community Renewal, Hampton Plaza, 38-40 State Street, 4th Floor, Albany, NY 12207. Potential objectors should contact the Office of Community Renewal to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Patrick Linger, Chair  
Greene County Legislature  
Certifying Officer