### NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR

# TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Date of Publication: August 24, 2022 Name of Responsible Entity (RE): Klawock Cooperative Association RE Address: 310 Bayview Avenue, P.O. Box 430 Klawock, Alaska 99925 RE Telephone Number: (907) 755-2265

On or after September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, the Klawock Cooperative Association will authorize the Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority to submit a request to the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Healthy Homes Production Grant for Tribal Housing, authorized under Section 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-2) and funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141), approved March 23, 2018, for the following multi-year program/project:

# Tier I Broad Level Review Project/ Program Title: AKHHP006622 Klawock Healthy Homes

**Purpose:** The purpose of this project is to fortify the health and overall lives of eligible tribally enrolled citizens in the community of Klawock, Alaska by addressing health and safety hazards in their homes with in-kind repairs and rehabilitations to improve the conditions of their homes.

#### Location: Klawock, Alaska

**Project Description:** Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority was granted an FY 2022 Healthy Homes grant (AKHHP006622) in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 to address environmental and structural hazards to improve the health and lives of individuals in multiple Southeast Alaska communities that they (THRHA) serve. The proposed project consists of rehabilitation and repairs of multiple single-family housing units throughout THRHA service areas. The site work will include installation of heat pumps, installation of new hybrid hot water heater, removal of carpeting and replacing with life proof snap lock vinyl flooring, installation of Panasonic Whisper Green select fans with lights, removal of boiler, oil tank, and heat registers, install disconnect for heat pumps, installation of fire extinguishers, as well as ensuring hard wired smoke alarms are in place and are functioning. The project does not include demolition of existing sites or new construction. A Tier II site-specific ERR will be completed ERR will be completed for each project location once site inspection/assessments and scopes of work have been completed for each unit.

# Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(ii)(6)

**Tier II Site Specific Reviews:** The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier I broad level review: n/a

#### Mitigation Measures/ Conditions/ Permits (if any): n/a

# Estimated Project Cost: Up to \$2,465,000.00

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per: 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(ii)(6). As an Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on

file at Klawock Cooperative Association 310 Bayview Blvd Klawock, Alaska 99925 Phone: (907) 755-2265 Fax: (907) 755-8800 and at Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (TDHE) 5446 Jenkins Drive Juneau, Alaska 99801 Phone: (907) 780-6868 Fax: (907) 780-6895 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 AM to 4:30 PM or at

https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (TDHE) or the Klawock Cooperative Association (RE). All comments received by **September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**, will be considered by the name of Klawock Cooperative Association and Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (TDHE) certifies to HUD that Patricia Cottle, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Tribal President of Klawock Cooperative Association 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/Alaska's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority to use HUD program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD's/Alaska's will accept objections to its release of fund and the RE'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 Klawock Cooperative Association; (b) the RE 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's/Alaska's; 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's/Alaska's to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Patricia Cottle, Tribal President, Klawock Cooperative Association, (RE) Certifying Officer