

CERTIFICATION OF CONTINUED ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Nebraska Department of Economic Development

CDBG, HOME, and NAHTF Projects

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete Parts I-IV and submit to your Program Representative.

PART I. GRANTEE INFORMATION			
INSTRUCTIONS: Based on the original Environmental Review Record (ERR), complete the following information.			
GRANTEE NAME	City of Crete	GRANT NUMBER	24PW1004
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD DATES			
Determination of Level of Review (DLR): <input type="checkbox"/> CENST <input type="checkbox"/> CEST <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EA		DLR Date Signed	12/16/2024
Statutory Checklist Date	3/13/2025	Environmental Clearance Issued	4/23/2025

PART II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION INFORMATION	
<p>INSTRUCTIONS: Input below Item A. original project description, Item B. clear and concise summary of the changes/revisions to the project description for which this form is being completed, and Item C. revised project description based upon those changes/revisions noted within Item B. NOTE: If needed to clearly articulate the responses, attach additional descriptive information, as appropriate, including narrative, maps, photographs, site plans, budgets and other information. Where attachments/enclosures are included, be sure to check the appropriate box.</p>	
A.	ORIGINAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION.
See Attached.	
B.	SUMMARY OF CHANGES/REVISIONS.
<p>A water main adjustment component (Group B) is added/clarified within the existing project footprint as an incidental element necessary to complete the street paving work. This includes lowering/relocating segments of the existing water main and appurtenances within the CDBG-funded street improvement area, installing new 6-inch PVC water main where needed, reconnecting to the existing system, abandoning portions of existing main as required, and reinstating affected water services/curb stops to grade.</p>	
C.	REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION (where applicable).
See Attached	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATTACHMENT(S). Only check box if attachments and/or enclosures are being submitted along with this form.	

PART III. DETERMINATION UPON REVIEW OF REVISIONS

In accordance with the provisions of 24 CFR Part 58.47, it is the finding of the Certifying Officer of the above referenced grantee that [check one of the following]:

1. The scope, scale, nature, magnitude and location of the project are **SUBSTANTIALLY UNCHANGED** from that as originally reviewed and approved; further, no new circumstances or environmental conditions which may affect the project or have a bearing on its impact, such as concealed or unexpected conditions, have been discovered; and the selection of an alternative not in the original finding is not proposed, Re-evaluation of the project under §58.47 is therefore not required. The same conditions that previously applied to the project remain unchanged and are summarized within Part II above.

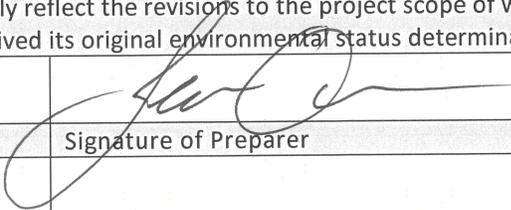
OR

2. The scope, scale, nature, magnitude and/or location of the project have **SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED** from that as originally reviewed and approved; or, new circumstances or environmental conditions which may affect the project or have a bearing on its impact, such as concealed or unexpected conditions, have been discovered; or, the selection of an alternative not in the original finding is now proposed. Re-evaluation of the project under §58.47 is required; the findings in the ERR have been updated per §58.47(b).
- a) There are substantial changes in the nature, magnitude, extent, or location of the project/program, including adding new activities not anticipated in the original scope (24 CFR Part 58.47(a)(1));
- b) There are new circumstances and environmental conditions which affect the project/program or have a bearing on its impact, such as concealed or unexpected conditions discovered during the implementation of the project or activity which is proposed to be continued (24 CFR Part 58.47(a)(2)); or
- c) An alternative has been selected not considered in the original finding (24 CFR Part 58.47(a)(3)).
- REQUIRED Attachment(s):** The findings in the ERR have been updated per §58.47(b) and are described within the attached documentation.

PART IV. CERTIFICATION OF REVIEW

INSTRUCTIONS: Local units of government: Certifying Officer signs, keeps original, and sends copy to DED.
 Nonprofit organizations: Preparer signs, sends to DED for RE signature, and DED returns a copy to grantee for the ERR file.

I certify that the above statements accurately reflect the revisions to the project scope of work and that such revisions do not alter the basis under which the project received its original environmental status determination.

James Owens, Certified Administrator		1/29/2026
Printed Preparer Name & Title	Signature of Preparer	Date
David Bauer, Mayor		2/3/2026
Printed Name & Title of RE Certifying Officer	Signature of RE Certifying Officer	Date

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Program Rep/ERR 1 st Reviewer recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> approve <input type="checkbox"/> deny <input type="checkbox"/> consultation		initials	date
Date received		Signature of ERR 2 nd Reviewer	
		Printed Name/Title	Date
<input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Denied			

Project Description - North Crete Street Improvement Project

The City of Crete, Saline County, Nebraska (City) is preparing to implement a street improvement project within the municipal limits of the City. The project will improve three (3) street segments: 21st Street from Norman Avenue to Oak Avenue, Oak Avenue from 21st Street to 22nd Street, and Oak Avenue from 20th Street to 21st Street (Project).

The Project will include the construction of 7-inch Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) paving, 32 feet in width, with an associated storm sewer system. The total Project area covers these three blocks, focusing on enhancing street durability, improving stormwater management, and increasing pedestrian safety. These streets are currently in need of significant repair to maintain safety and accessibility for all users, including pedestrians and vehicles.

The street improvement Project will include several key activities: Demolition and removal of the existing street surface; Earthwork, grading, and sloping to prepare the sub-base; Installation of new 7-inch PCC paving to ensure long-lasting road surfaces; Construction of a storm sewer system to enhance drainage and reduce flooding risks; Installation of sidewalks with American Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant detectable warning panels to improve pedestrian safety.

The total Project area covers approximately three blocks. The streets are owned and maintained by the City of Crete and are surrounded primarily by residential properties. Project impacts may include temporary road closures, noise, and dust during construction. The City will notify businesses, residents, and emergency services of all road closures and provide alternative routes. All construction activities will be scheduled during normal business hours to minimize disruption.

Total Project costs are estimated at \$688,450, including \$480,000 funded by a Nebraska Department of Economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds of which \$25,000 is allocated for general administration and \$5,000 for construction management. A local match of \$208,450 will be provided by the City. The matching funds will be sourced from the city's general fund, and are unobligated and readily available. The project will primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income (LMI) residents by improving local infrastructure and enhancing the overall quality of life in the community. No residents, businesses, or farms will be displaced as a result of the project activities. Construction is anticipated to be completed within thirty (30) months.

Revised Project Description - North Crete Street Improvement Project

The City of Crete, Saline County, Nebraska (City) is preparing to implement a street improvement project within the municipal limits of the City. The project will improve three (3) street segments: 21st Street from Norman Avenue to Oak Avenue, Oak Avenue from 21st Street to 22nd Street, and Oak Avenue from 20th Street to 21st Street (Project).

The Project will include the construction of 7-inch Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) paving, 32 feet in width, with an associated storm sewer system. **In addition, as incidental work necessary to complete the paving, the Project includes water main adjustments (lowering/relocation) within the CDBG-funded street improvement area, including installation of approximately 677 LF of new 6-inch PVC water main (DR18) where required, connections to the existing water system, abandonment of portions of existing water main as needed, and reinstatement of affected water services and curb stops to grade.** The total Project area covers these three blocks, focusing on enhancing street durability, improving stormwater management, and increasing pedestrian safety. These streets are currently in need of significant repair to maintain safety and accessibility for all users, including pedestrians and vehicles.

The street improvement Project will include several key activities: Demolition and removal of the existing street surface; Earthwork, grading, and sloping to prepare the sub-base; Installation of new 7-inch PCC paving to ensure long-lasting road surfaces; Construction of a storm sewer system to enhance drainage and reduce flooding risks; Installation of sidewalks with American Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant detectable warning panels to improve pedestrian safety. **Related water system activities include removal/replacement of valves and fittings as needed, reconnecting to the existing water main, and restoring disturbed areas in coordination with the street construction.**

The total Project area covers approximately three blocks. The streets are owned and maintained by the City of Crete and are surrounded primarily by residential properties. Project impacts may include temporary road closures, noise, and dust during construction. The City will notify businesses, residents, and emergency services of all road closures and provide alternative routes. All construction activities will be scheduled during normal business hours to minimize disruption.

Total Project costs are estimated at **\$587,727**, including \$480,000 funded by a Nebraska Department of Economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds of which \$25,000 is allocated for general administration and \$5,000 for construction management. A local match of **\$137,727** will be provided by the City. The matching funds will be sourced from the city's general fund, and are unobligated and readily available. The project will primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income (LMI) residents by improving local infrastructure and enhancing the overall quality of life in the community. No residents, businesses, or farms will be displaced as a result of the project activities. Construction is anticipated to be completed within thirty (30) months.