Request for Release of Funds (RROF) and Certification Form

1. Program Title: Maine Community Development Block Grant Program OMB Catalog No. 14.228

2. Name and Address of Recipient:	
3. For Information Contact:	
4. Date of this Request:	
5. Project Dates:	

Part 1. Request for Release of Funds
6. Send Request to: **Department of Economic and Community Development (OCD)** **33 Stone St., 59 State House Station** **Augusta, ME 04333-0059**

The recipient of assistance listed above requests the removal of environmental conditions and the release of grant funds for the following:

7. Program/Project Name:	**8. Location/Address of Program/Project:**

9. Program Activity/Project description:

Part 2. Environmental Certification

With reference to the above Program Activity/Project, I, the undersigned Officer of the recipient, certify that: **(a)** the recipient has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project named above. **(b)** The recipient has complied with National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and with the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5 and 58.6. **(c)** The recipient has taken or will take into account the environmental criteria, standards, permit requirements and other obligations applicable to the project or program activity under other Federal, State and local laws that the recipient has the direct responsibility to comply with. **(d)** The recipient has assumed responsibility for and complied with, and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian Tribes and the public. **(e)** After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the

environmental review completed for the enclosed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal **(did) (did not)** require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement. **(f)** The recipient has, prior to submitting this request for the release of funds and certification, published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 70 and as evidenced by the attached copy. **(g)** The date upon which all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action, following completion of the environmental review for the project/program activity, **began and ended as indicated below** in compliance with the procedures and requirements of 24 CFR 58.

Check level of review:

❑ **Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds (Categorically Excluded, Not Exempt, 7- day local comment period)**

Date Published in Newspaper	**Comment Period**
	Date began: Date ended:

❑ **Combined Notice: Finding of No Significant Impact and Intent to request Release of Funds (Non-excluded/FONSI, 15 – day local comment period)**

Date Published in Newspaper	**Comment Period**
	Date began: Date ended:

❑ **Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact**

Date Published in Newspaper	**Comment Period**
	Date began: Date ended:

❑ **Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS**

Date Published in Newspaper	**Comment Period**
	Date began: Date ended:

15-DAY State Objection Period (Estimated by Grantee)

DATE SENT TO DECD:	**DATE BEGAN:**	**DATE ENDED:**

As the duly designated certifying official of the grantee/recipient, I also certify that:

(a) I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of responsible federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of Law designated in the 24

CFR 58.5 and 58.6 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making, and actions that have been assumed by the grantee/recipient;

(b) by so consenting, I have assumed the responsibilities for the conduct of environmental review, decision-making, and actions as to environmental issues, preparation and circulation of draft, final and supplemental environmental impact statements, and lead agency or cooperating agency responsibilities for preparation of such statements on behalf of federal agencies including HUD, when these agencies consent to such assumptions; and

(c) I am authorized to act and do accept, on behalf of the recipient and personally, the jurisdiction of the federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as Chief Executive Officer/certifying officer of the grantee/recipient.

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Signature of Chief Executive Officer of Grantee/Recipient Title

_____ Address

Warning: Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and the Criminal Procedure shall apply to this certification. Title 18 provides, among other things, that whoever knowingly makes or uses a document or writing containing any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States, shall be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both. Adapted HUD-7015.15 (9-88)