

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

April 30, 2026

City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about May 15, 2026, the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation will submit a request to the Department of Housing & Urban Development for the release of Economic Development Initiative-Community Project Funding funds under P.L 117-328 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2023, as amended, to undertake a project known as Caribou Pond & Park Reclamation Project for the purpose of restoring, enhancing, and preserving Caribou Pond.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation 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 the Caribou Parks & Recreation Center located at 55 Bennett Drive in Caribou, Maine and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Superintendent of the Caribou Parks & Recreation Department, Mr. Gary Marquis. All comments received by May 15, 2026 will be considered by the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation certifies to HUD that Penny Thompson in her capacity as Caribou 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's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation 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 Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation; (b) the City of Caribou, Caribou Parks & Recreation Foundation 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; 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 administration office at 10 Causeway Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02222. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Penny Thompson, Caribou City Manager


