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CDBG 1st Public Hearing November 30, 2023

Cody Christensen, an Associate Planner at the FCAOG who explained that the purpose of the “CDBG First Public Hearing” is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow discussion of possible applications for the 2023 funding cycle that's coming up.

He explained that the Five County AOG region is expected to receive approximately \$907,269 in the new program year. He said that all eligible activities that can be accomplished into this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual that the public can review at any time. He said that the AOG staff passed those manuals out at the How to Apply workshops to most of the entities, and most of those were represented at that workshop. He gave some examples of certain activities that CDBG can be used for including construction of public works facilities, water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property provisions of public services, food banks or homeless shelters, etc.

He said that in the past, the Five County AOG has received funds for general administration of the program, for community planning assistance, along with developing and a consolidated plan. He asked for any questions or any input on the CDBG program at this time?

He asked if there were any members of the public online for the public hearing, and if there are to just unmute and ask questions, make any suggestions, or recommendations. He gave ample time for any possible responses while the conference call was open to the public. Seeing that there were no comments, etc. from any members of the public, the hearing was closed.