Hearing Scheduled For CD Block Grants

Citizens and local elected of-ficials in Hoke County and across the state will have an opportunity to comment on the state's proposed plan for distributing approximately \$45 million in 1983 Community Development Block Grant funds at two public hearings on January 10 in Asheville and The Asheville hearing will begin at 2 p.m. in the Owen Art Management Building on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Asheville. The hearing in Raleigh will be held in the ground

floor hearing room of the Arch-dale Building, 512 N. Salisbury

Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Department of Natural Resources and Community Development is the state agency responsible for administration of the program. NRCD Secretary Joseph W. Grimsley feels the public hearings are essential to continued success of the CDBG effort.

Commenting on the upcoming hearings, Grimsley stated, "In order for the limited CDBG allocation to have the greatest local impact, it is imperative that we continue to work closely with local officials and citizens. We cannot

operate in a vacuum and expect the CDBG funds to have the most

beneficial effect possible in North

Specific topics for discussion at

the hearings include modifications in the state CDBG program regula-

tions and the proposed Statement of Program Design for fiscal year 1983. The statement will be forwarded to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Develop-ment once it is finalized. North Carolina began administering the program during 1982 and awarded approximately \$45 million in Community Development Block Grants to 89

cities and counties for community revitalization, economic develop-ment and development planning

Grimsley noted that the method of distributing CDBG funds dur-

ing the past year worked very well

and no significant changes are being proposed. "However, we are

continuing to refine the applica-

tion review and scoring process to

improve both the program's effec-

tiveness at the local level and the efficiency of our program ad-ministration," he added. Citizens who wish to comment

at the public hearings are asked to

register 30 minutes prior to the

beginning of the proceedings at both locations.

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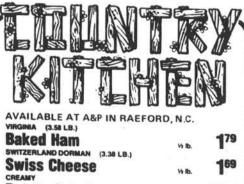


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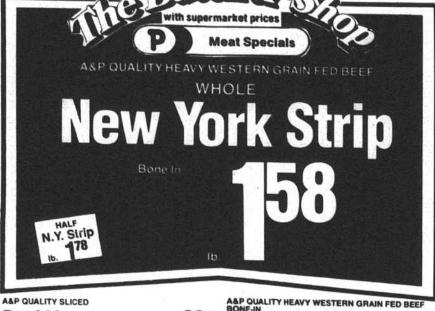
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Schedule

Tuesday, January 18, 1983 12:00 p.m. - Business Girls Extension Homemakers Club Meeting. 2:30 p.m. - Raedeen Extension Homemakers Club Meeting. 7:30 p.m. - Philippi Extension Homemakers Club Meeting.

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