COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD

MARCH 2017

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Community Development Department
1225 Lady Street, Suite #102, P. O. Box 147, Columbia, SC 29217
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Environmental Review Record Summary Sheet

Project Number: B-16-MH-45-0001	HUD Program:	CDBG-DR	Program Year: 2017

Project Name: Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program (Columbia Housing Assistance, Buyout, Minor Repair, Small Rental Repair, and Elevation Reimbursement Programs)
Project Location: 1225 Lady Street, Columbia, SC 29201

Number of Dwelling Units Projected: 1531	Project site is in a location described as
	☒ Central city ☐ Suburban
☐ New Construction ☒ Rehabilitation	☐ Urban development ☐ Undeveloped area

Project Description (*Attach additional descriptive information, as appropriate to the project, including narrative, maps, photographs, site plans, budgets and other information.*)[1]: The City has designed five housing programs to assist primarily low-to-moderate (LMI) income households severely impacted by the October 2015 Flood in the rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family (1-4 units) residences; and the acquisition and demolition of severely damaged residential properties in the floodplain. (A detailed project description and source documentation is attached.)

The subject project has been reviewed pursuant to HUD regulations 24 CFR Part 58, "Environmental Review Procedures for Entities Assuming HUD Environmental Responsibilities," and the following determination with respect to the project is made:

- ❑ Exempt from NEPA review requirements per 24 CFR §58.34(a) (_____) (Compliance Checklist for §58.6 is attached.)

- ❑ Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to §58.5 authorities per 24 CFR §58.35(b) (_) (Compliance Checklist for §58.6 is attached.)

[1] Source documentation consists of verifiable source documents and/or relevant base data. Appropriate documentation must be provided for each authority and resource analyzed. Documents may be incorporated by reference into the ERR provided that each source document is identified and available for inspection by interested parties. Proprietary material and studies that are not otherwise generally available for public review shall be included in the ERR.

☒ Categorically Excluded SUBJECT to §58.5 authorities per 24 CFR §58.35(a) (___) (Compliance Checklist for §58.6, and Statutory Worksheet and Checklist for the §58.5 authorities are attached.)

❑ An Environmental Assessment (EA) is required to be performed. (An Environmental Assessment Worksheet and Checklist performed in accordance with subpart E of 24 CFR Part 58, Compliance Checklist for §58.6, and Statutory Worksheet and Checklist for the §58.5 authorities are attached.)

❑ An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required to be performed.

The ERR (see §58.38) must contain all of the environmental review worksheets, checklists, documents, public notices and written determinations or environmental findings required by Part 58 as evidence of the review, decision making and actions pertaining to a particular project. Include additional information such as, maps noting the project location in reference to an environmental impact source, studies, analyses and other documentation as appropriate.

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning and Development

OMB No. 2506-0087
(exp. 07/31/2017)

This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) City of Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program	2. HUD/State Identification Number B-16-MH-45-0001	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional)
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) 14.228	5. Name and address of responsible entity City of Columbia 1737 Main Street Columbia, SC 29217	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) Gloria Saeed,803-545-3766		
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request Office of Field Policy and Management Strom Thurman Federal Building 1835 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201-2480	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity)	

The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program (Columbia Housing Assistance Program, Buyout Program, Small Rental Repair Program, Elevation Reimbursement Program, and Minor Repair Program)	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) Columbia Community Development Department 1225 Lady Street, Suite 102 Columbia, SC 29201

11. Program Activity/Project Description

The City of Columbia has developed five (5) housing programs to assist homeowners and rental property owners of single family (1-4 units) residences damaged by the South Carolina Flood of 2015 in rehabilitating, elevating, remediating, and repairing primary residences. Rehabilitation activities will primarily assist low to moderate income, flood-damaged households in the most heavily impacted areas of Columbia. All improvements, products, and fixtures will promote energy efficiency, water conservation, and green building practices to the extent applicable including: repair or replacement of roofing, flooring, electrical and plumbing fixtures, HVAC equipment, windows, sheetrock, and unsafe water and sewer supplies; lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation; foundation repair, replacement, or elevation; and drainage improvements. The program also funds the acquisition and clearance of severely damaged residential properties in the floodplain; financial assistance to small businesses for working capital, inventory, furnishings and equipment, clean up, and repair; and administration and project delivery activities.

Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. The responsible entity 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 Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.
4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed 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.
5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.
9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity	Title of Certifying Officer
	City Manager, City of Columbia
	Date signed
X Teresa Wilson	4/4/2017

Address of Certifying Officer

1737 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29217

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient	Title of Authorized Officer
	Date signed
X	

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Date of Publication: March 24, 2017

City of Columbia
1225 Lady Street, Columbia, SC 29201
803-545-3383

On or after April 3, 2017, the City of Columbia will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery funds under Title II/Section 420 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery (DR) Program

Purpose: The City of Columbia has developed five (5) housing programs to assist homeowners and rental property owners of single family (1-4 units) residences damaged by the South Carolina Flood of 2015 in rehabilitating, elevating, remediating, and repairing primary residences: Columbia Housing Assistance Program, Buyout Program, Small Rental Repair Program, Elevation Reimbursement Program, and Minor Repair Program.

Location: The City has conducted a broad review of scattered sites within the city limits (Latitude: 34.000905, Longitude: 81.037131) addressing Historic Properties, Coastal Zone Management, Sole Source Aquifers, Endangered Species, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Air Quality, Farmland Protection, Airport Hazards and Environmental Justice. Site-specific environmental reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the broad review for each eligible property when addresses become known.
Project/Program Description: Rehabilitation activities will primarily assist low to moderate income, flood-damaged households in the most heavily impacted areas of Columbia along the banks of Lake Katherine, Central and Lower Gills Creek, Wildcat Creek, and Penn Branch. All improvements, products, and fixtures will promote energy efficiency, water conservation, and green building practices to the extent applicable including: repair or replacement of roofing, flooring, electrical and plumbing fixtures, HVAC equipment, windows, sheetrock, and unsafe water and sewer supplies; lead based paint, asbestos and mold remediation; foundation repair, replacement, or elevation; and drainage improvements. The program also funds the acquisition and clearance of residential properties in the floodplain that sustained major or severe damages as assessed by FEMA.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35 (a)(3)(i)(ii), rehabilitation of buildings and improvements for residential use (one to four units) and 58.35(a)(5), acquisition or disposition of an existing structure.

Site Specific Review: The following laws and authorities will be addressed in the site specific review: 24 CFR 58.5(a) Historic Properties; 58.5(b)(1) Floodplain Management; 58.5(b)(2) Wetland Protection; 58.5(i)(1) Noise Control and Abatement, Explosive and Flammable Operations; and 58.5(i)(2)(i-iv) Contamination and Toxic Substances.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits:
The City will implement Best Management Practices to identify and prevent storm water pollution and effectively handle storm water runoff from construction activities. Where practicable, the City will modify any proposed action to minimize adverse effects on wetlands. All properties in the floodplain or floodway must obtain flood insurance, to be maintained in perpetuity. Rehabilitation will include flood-proofing adjustments. Toxic substances will be removed, stabilized or encapsulated and a remediation plan developed. Any permits required will be obtained before work begins.

Estimated Project Cost: Total CDBG DR funding is $19,989,000 of which $17,790,100 is allocated to housing rehabilitation, repair, elevation, acquisition and disposition; $1,998,900 to administration and project delivery; and $200,000 to small business economic development activities; total program cost is $20,989,000 including $1 million in CDBG Program Income funding.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this program can be viewed on the Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery website (http://dr.columbiasc.gov) or from 8:30 A.M to 5 P.M Monday through Friday at the City of Columbia Community Development Department, 1225 Lady Street, Suite 102, Columbia, SC.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Columbia Community Development Department. All comments received by April 1, 2017 will be considered by the City of Columbia prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Columbia certifies to HUD/South Carolina (SC) that Teresa Wilson in her capacity as 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/SC approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD/SC will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Columbia 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 Columbia; (b) the City of Columbia 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/SC; 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/SC Office of Field Policy and Management at 1835 Assembly Street, 13th Floor, Columbia, SC. Potential objectors should contact HUD/SC to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Teresa Wilson, City Manager, Columbia, SC
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Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.5 Compliance Documentation Checklist

Categorical Exclusion Subject to §58.5 Determination for Activities Listed at 24 CFR §58.35(a)

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia Project Name: Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program

Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related):
Clearance is requested for a tiered environmental review for the rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family (1-4 units) residences damaged by the South Carolina Flood of 2015. The City of Columbia has developed a broad review based at the citywide geographic level and a site specific strategy for environmental clearance when individual addresses for the following programs become known: Housing Assistance Program, Buyout Program, Small Rental Repair Program, Elevation Reimbursement Program, and Minor Repair Program. CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding is $19,989,000 with an additional $1 million in CDBG Program Income funds for total program funding of $20,989,000. Of that amount $18,790,100 has been allocated to the housing activities covered by this review.

Location: City of Columbia

Funding Source: CDBG HOME ESG HOPWA EDI Capital Fund Operating Subsidy Hope VI
Other: CDBG Disaster Recovery
Estimated Funding Amount: $18,790,100 Grant Number: B-16-MH-45-0001

I have reviewed and determined that the above mentioned project is a Categorically Excluded activity (subject to §58.5) per 24 CFR §58.35(a) as follows:

☐	58.35(a) (1). Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of public facilities and improvements (other than buildings) when the facilities and improvements are in place and will be retained in the same use without change in size or capacity of more than 20 percent (e.g., replacement of water or sewer lines, reconstruction of curbs and sidewalks, repaving of streets);
☐	58.35(a) (2). Special projects directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility of and accessibility to elderly and handicapped persons;
	58.35(a) (3). Rehabilitation of buildings and improvements when the following conditions are met:
☒	58.35(a) (3) (i.)In the case of a building for residential use (with one to four units), the density is not increased beyond four units, the land use is not changed, and the footprint of the building is not increased in a floodplain or in a wetland;
☐	58.35(a) (3) (ii). In the case of multifamily residential buildings: (A) Unit density is not changed more than 20 percent; (B) The project does not involve changes in land use from residential to non-residential; and (C) The estimated cost of rehabilitation is less than 75 percent of the total estimated cost of replacement after rehabilitation.
☐	58.35(a) (3) (iii). In the case of non-residential structures, including commercial, industrial, and public buildings: (A) The facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity by more than 20 percent; **AND** (B) The activity does not involve a change in land use, such as from non-residential to residential, commercial to industrial, or from one industrial use to another.
☐	58.35(a) (4) (i) An individual action on up to four dwelling units where there is a maximum of four units on any one site. The units can be four one-unit buildings or one four-unit building or any combination in between; or

☐	58.35(a)((ii) An individual action on a project of five or more housing units developed on scattered sites when the sites are more than 2,000 feet apart and there are not more than four housing units on any one site. 58.35(a) (iii) Paragraphs (a) (4) (i) and (ii) of this section do not apply to rehabilitation of a building for residential use (with one to four units) (see paragraph (a) (3) (i) of this section).
☒	58.35(a) (5). Acquisition (including leasing) or disposition of, or equity loans on an existing structure, or acquisition (including leasing) of vacant land provided that the structure or land acquired, financed, or disposed of will be retained for the same use.
☐	58.35(a) (6). Combinations of the above activities.

The responsible entity must also complete and attach a **§58.5 Statutory Checklist and Worksheet and a §58.6 Compliance Checklist**. By signing below the Responsible Entity officially determines in writing that all activities covered by this determination are Categorically Excluded (subject to §58.5) and meets the conditions specified for such exclusion under section 24 CFR §58.35(a). This document must be maintained in the ERR.

AUTHORIZED RESPONSIBLE ENTITY OFFICIAL:

Teresa Wilson

Authorized Responsible Entity Signature

4/4/2017

Date

Teresa Wilson

Authorized Responsible Entity Name (printed)

City Manager, City of Columbia, SC

Title (printed)

Compliance Documentation Checklist
24 CFR 58.6

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia____ Project Name: Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program_
Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related):
The City has designed five housing programs to assist primarily low-to-moderate (LMI) income households severely impacted by the October 2015 Flood in the rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family (1-4 units) residences; and the acquisition and demolition of severely damaged residential properties in the floodplain. (A detailed project description is attached.)_____

Level of Environmental Review Determination: Select One of the following:

☐(1) Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34, or
☐(2) Categorically Excluded not subject to statutes per §58.35(b), or
☒(3) Categorically Excluded subject to statutes per §58.35(a), or
☐(4) Environmental Assessment per §58.36, or
☐(5) EIS per 40 CFR 1500

STATUTES and REGULATIONS listed at 24 CFR 58.6

FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT

1. Does the project involve acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of structures located in a FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard?

☐No; Cite Source Document: _____

☒Yes; Source Document: Any properties located in a Special Flood Hazard will require a site specific environmental review including an 8 Step Process as described in the attached written strategy. _____

2. Is the community participating in the National Insurance Program (or has less than one year passed since FEMA notification of Special Flood Hazards)?

☒Yes (Flood Insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program must be obtained and maintained for the economic life of the project, in the amount of the total project cost. A copy of the flood insurance policy declaration must be kept on file). **(Appendix I)**

☐No **(Federal assistance may not be used in the Special Flood Hazards Area)**.

COASTAL BARRIERS RESOURCES ACT

1. Is the project located in a coastal barrier resource area?

☒ No; Cite Source Documentation: The City of Columbia is not located within a coastal barrier resource area._ (This element is completed).

☐ Yes - **Federal assistance may not be used in such an area.**

AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEAR ZONES AND CLEAR ZONES DISCLOSURES

1. Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of existing property within a Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone or a Military Installation's Clear Zone?

☒ No; Source Documentation: No property within the city limits is within 2500 feet of a Clear Zone or Runway Clear Zone _____
Project complies with 24 CFR 51.303(a)(3).

☐ Yes; **Disclosure statement must be provided** to buyer and a copy of the signed disclosure must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record **(Appendix II)**

Prepared by (name and title, please print): Gloria Saeed, Director, Community Development_____, _____

Signature: Gloria Saeed Date: 4/3/17

Project Description

COLUMBIA CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO §58.5
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In October 2015, the City of Columbia, along with much of the State of South Carolina, experienced unprecedented rainfall and historic flooding with more than two feet of rainfall in less than 48 hours. As part of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Program, HUD has allocated $19.989 million to the City of Columbia to address some of its critical unmet needs resulting from the 2015 Flood. The City has added $1 million in CDBG Program Income funds to augment its disaster recovery program budget. All programs will be administered by the City's Community Development Department.

Following a major disaster, households that qualify as low to moderate income (80% or less of Area Median Income) are likely to have more difficulty securing financing for necessary building repairs, finding suitable rental housing, or paying for remediation or relocation expenses. For that reason, the City of Columbia is directing almost 90%, or $17,790,100, of its CDBG Disaster Recovery allocation to five (5) housing programs that will maximize benefits to the most vulnerable populations.

This environmental review record will be valid for five years, the maximum time allowed by HUD, and covers the following housing programs, aggregated functionally for the rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family (1-4 units) storm-damaged residences: Columbia Housing Assistance Program, Small Rental Repair Program, Elevation Reimbursement Program, and Minor Repair Program. Through its homeowner Buyout Program the City will acquire and demolish severely damaged residential properties in the floodway or floodplain. These properties will be dedicated in perpetuity to a public use compatible with open space, recreation, natural floodplain functions, ecosystem restoration, or wetlands management practices.

Funding of $200,000 has been allocated for economic development activities through the Small Business Disaster Recovery Program, which may be used for working capital, inventory, furnishings and equipment, remediation, and clean up and repair. The remaining $1,998,900 will be used for program administration and project delivery activities such as program design and implementation; translation, environmental and title/legal services; and technical assistance and training. All program activities will occur within Columbia's city limits.

Table 1 indicates the total funding among all activities. The City estimates program duration at six years. Table 2 indicates the project expenditures per year of all funding sources.

TABLE 1

ACTIVITY	CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY	CDBG PROGRAM INCOME	TOTAL DISASTER RECOVERY BUDGET
Housing rehabilitation, repair, and elevation	$15,790,100	$1,000,000	$16.790,100
Acquisition and demolition	$2,000,000		$2,000,000
Project delivery and administration	$1,998,900		$1,998,900
Economic development business loans	$200,000		$200,000
Total	**$19,989,000**	**$1,000,000**	**$20,989,000**

TABLE 2

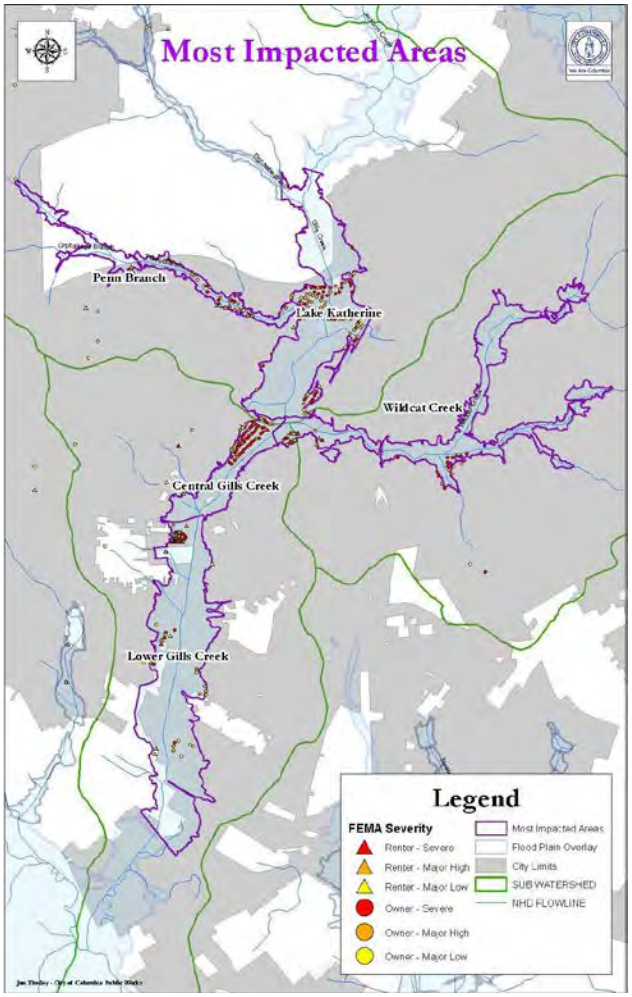
Funding Source	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
CDBG DR	$8,753,880	$5,002,760	$3,928,910	$1,341,710	$537,760	$423,980	$19,989,000
CDBG PI		$1,000,000					$ 1,000,000
Total	$8,753,880	$6,002,760	$3,928,910	$1,341,710	$537,760	$423,980	$20,989,000

In Columbia, homes along and near the City's many creeks, lakes, and other waterways were inundated by floodwater causing almost complete destruction of some neighborhoods. Most of the major and severe damages to housing occurred along the banks of Lake Katherine, Central and Lower Gills Creek, Wildcat Creek, and Penn Branch areas of the city. All improvements, products, and fixtures will promote energy efficiency, water conservation, and green building practices to the extent applicable, including the following types of improvements:

- Roof repair/replacement
- Flooring repair/replacement
- Electrical repair/replacement
- Window repair/replacement
- Electrical and plumbing fixtures
- Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) equipment
- Appliance replacement
- Lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility
- Insulation and sheetrock repair/replacement
- Building foundation repair/replacement/elevation
- Repair/replacement unsafe water and sewer supplies
- Drainage improvements

TARGET AREAS FOR PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

The map below indicates the most heavily impacted areas where it is anticipated that a majority of program participants will reside.



PROGRAM DETAILS

Columbia Homeowner Assistance Program (CHAP)

Eligible Activity: Rehabilitation - Housing

National Objective: Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) Benefit

Budget Allocation: $3,336,150

The Columbia Homeowner Assistance Program (CHAP) will provide up to $150,000 to assist approximately 76 owner-occupied households with major or severe damages related to the October 2015 flood for properties with unmet needs exceeding $25,000. Funding for this program will be capped at $150,000 unless rehabilitation of the structure requires work to specifically address

compliance with city building codes and floodplain ordinances such as elevation above Base Flood Elevation (BFE). Consideration will also be given for costs related to environmental remediation and/or Green Building standards. Initial homeowner hazard insurance premiums, as well as flood insurance premiums, will be covered for one year.

Eligibility requirements for program participants are:

- Damaged residential dwelling must be located within Columbia city limits.
- Applicants must have owned and occupied the damaged property as their primary residence as of and prior to the date of the storm (October 2015).
- Applicants must have registered with FEMA and had their primary residence designated as having sustained *Major* or *Severe* damages.
- Residence must be a single-unit structure, duplex, townhome, or condominium.
- Application for and receipt of Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) funding for elevation, if required.
- Sufficient gap financing, if required.

CDBG-DR funds will be provided in the form of a direct grant agreement between the city and the applicant and through a construction agreement between the applicant and the selected contractor. The grant agreement will include obligations to:

- Authorize payments directly to the contractor executing rehabilitation, elevation or repair work;
- Own and occupy the damaged dwelling as a primary residence for a period of one (1) year after the completion of repairs and issuance of a "Certificate of Occupancy"; and
- Maintain flood insurance in perpetuity. Execution of a program covenant memorializing the flood insurance requirement will be required.

Program duration is estimated as January 2017 – December 2020.

Columbia Buyout Program (CBP)
Eligible Activity: Acquisition and Disposition
National Objective: Low to Moderate Income (LMI) - Housing, Urgent Need, Elimination of Slums and Blight
Budget Allocation: $2,000,000

The Columbia Buyout Program (CBP) is a voluntary program to reduce the risk from future flooding by purchasing residential properties located in the floodway or floodplain that sustained *Major* or *Severe* damages. CDBG-DR funds will be provided in the form of direct assistance and will be based upon pre-disaster Fair Market Value (FMV). LMI owner-occupants and owners of rental properties where damages pose a health or safety hazard will receive top

priority for funding. *All residential properties acquired will be demolished and dedicated in perpetuity to a public use that is compatible with open space, recreation, natural floodplain functions, ecosystem restoration, or wetlands management practices.* Program funds will also be used for property disposition costs. Approximately 38 households have expressed interest in city buyout of their flood damaged property.

Eligibility requirements for participants in this program are:

- Damaged owner occupied or rental dwelling must be located within Columbia city limits in a designated floodway or floodplain.
- Applicants must have owned the damaged property as their primary residence as of and prior to the date of the storm event (October 2015).
- Applicants must have registered with FEMA and had their primary residence designated as having sustained *Major* or *Severe* damages.
- Damaged residence must be a single-unit structure, duplex, townhome, or condominium.

Program duration is estimated as January 2017 – December 2021.

Columbia Small Rental Repair Program (SRRP)
Eligible Activity: Rehabilitation – Housing
National Objective: Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) Housing
Budget Allocation: $6,565,270

The Small Rental Repair Program (SRRP) will assist property owners who agree to rent to LMI individuals and families at affordable rates in repairing approximately 193 storm damaged rental units outside of the floodplain. The program will also provide displaced rental households – including those not registered but who can provide evidence of storm damage - with affordable housing opportunities within the City of Columbia. Owners of rental properties not damaged in the storm of October 2015 will be redirected to other City programs. Funding for this program will be capped at $150,000 per unit unless rehabilitation of the flood damaged structure requires additional work to specifically address compliance with city building codes and floodplain ordinances. Consideration will also be given for additional work related to environmental remediation and/or Green Building standards.

As a requirement for receiving CDBG-DR assistance, rental property owners must agree to make improved units available to existing or displaced LMI households before assisting other LMI rental households. Rental property owners must sign a grant agreement requiring that all rehabilitated units remain affordable for three (3) years. For the purpose of the SRRP, small rental properties are those with one to four rental units, including single family, duplex, triplex, and quadraplex

buildings on one tax parcel. The rent for an affordable rental unit will be calculated based on the income level of the tenant and the size of the rental unit which should be between 50-80% of the local Fair Market Rate. Rental complexes with four units designated as a "substantially rehabilitated building" will be provided with broadband infrastructure. The city also intends to provide temporary relocation assistance to tenants displaced by rehabilitation activities.

Eligibility requirements for participants in this program are:

- Rental property must be located within Columbia city limits.
- Applicants must have owned the damaged property as of and prior to the date of the storm (October 2015).
- Damaged rental structure should have no more than four units.
- Sufficient gap financing, if required.

Funds will be made available as a forgivable, deferred loan agreement between the City and the property owner and through a construction agreement between the applicant and the selected contractor. Assistance will be provided to property owners who agree to rent rehabilitated properties to those whose incomes are at or below 80% AMI, maintain affordable rent levels for three years, and maintain flood insurance in perpetuity, if applicable. Within 30 days of occupancy or re-occupancy of the rental property, the owner must provide the City with a copy of the executed lease as well as tenant income and demographic information. This information shall be provided annually to the city as property leases are renewed in order to monitor the program's affordability requirements.

Program duration is estimated as January 2017 – December 2022.

City of Columbia Elevation Reimbursement Program (ERP)
Eligible Activity: Rehabilitation – Housing
National Objective: Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) Housing, Urgent Need
Budget Allocation: $3,490,000

Given constrained recovery resources and identified housing needs, the City is providing limited elevation reimbursement to owner-occupied households who initiated their recovery prior to the one-year anniversary of the flood. The City recognizes that owners of *severely* damaged homes have incurred significant repair costs due to new elevation requirements and is committed to offsetting increased recovery costs for homeowners who were required to rebuild more resilient homes in order to prevent future losses. Regardless of income, eligible owner-occupants who have initiated elevation of their damaged structure in accordance with City of Columbia floodplain requirements will be reimbursed up to $20,000 in CDBG-DR

funding. It is envisioned that this funding coupled with $30,000 in ICC funding will relieve some of the recovery burdens for households in the most impacted areas of the city.

The most severely damaged households are concentrated in Special Hazard Flood Areas along Columbia's waterways. By encouraging home elevation, the City is mitigating the impact of future disasters. Of the 6,558 households that received a FEMA damage assessment, 205 sustained *Severe, Major-High*, and *Major-Low* damages. The CDBG Disaster Recovery allocation will assist approximately 175 households that elevated their homes to offset those costs. As of August 2016, 21 households in the city have expressed interest in home elevation.

Eligibility requirements for participants in this program are:

- Damaged residence must be located within Columbia City Limits.
- Applicants must have owned and occupied the damaged property as their primary residence as of and prior to the date of the storm event (October 2015).
- Applicants must have registered with FEMA and had their primary residence designated as having sustained *Severe* damages.
- Damaged residence must be a single-unit structure.
- If applicable, applicants must have applied for FEMA Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) funding for elevation of their damaged structure.
- Elevation projects started after the one year anniversary of the flood must receive Tier II environmental clearance prior to initiating elevation work.
- Elevation of the home is required by the City's floodplain ordinance and must be at least 50% complete prior to reimbursement.

Funds will be provided in the form of a direct grant between the City and the applicant. The grant agreement will include obligations for: 1) ownership and occupancy of the primary residence home for not less than one (1) year after reimbursement, and 2) maintenance of flood insurance in perpetuity on the damaged home. A program covenant memorializing the flood insurance requirement will also be required for homes in located in designated flood plain areas.

Program duration is estimated as January 2017 – December 2018.

City of Columbia Minor Repair Program (MRP)
Eligible Activity: Rehabilitation – Housing,
National Objective: Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) Housing
Budget Allocation: $3,398,680

The Minor Repair Program (MRP) will assist low-to-moderate income (LMI) owner-occupied households that sustained *Minor* damages who have remaining repair needs not covered by the

FEMA Individual Assistance Program and Small Business Administration loans. Funding up to $25,000 will address rain/flood damages as well as lead based paint, asbestos, and other repairs necessary to bring LMI dwellings up to the Columbia Property Maintenance Code and ensure that these units are more resilient to future natural hazards.

MRP will provide limited home repairs for all 1,198 LMI households residing in single family homes identified by FEMA as sustaining *Minor Low* and *Minor High* damages. Due to limited funding, elderly, disabled, and female headed households will be given priority assistance.

Eligibility requirements for participants in this program are as follows:

- Damaged residence must be located within Columbia City Limits.
- Applicants must have owned and occupied the damaged property as their primary residence as of and prior to the date of the storm event (October 2015).
- Applicants must have registered with FEMA and had their primary residence designated as having sustained Minor-High and Minor-Low damages.
- Damaged residence must be a single-unit structure, duplex, townhome, or condominium with less than $25,000 in damages.
- Applicants must be below 80% AMI at application intake.

Funds will be provided as a direct grant agreement between the City and the applicant and through a construction agreement between the applicant and the selected contractor. The grant agreement will include obligations to: 1) authorize payments directly to the contractor executing repair work orders; 2) ownership and occupancy of the home for not less than one (1) year after the completion of repairs and issuance of a *Certificate of Completion*; and, 3) maintenance of flood insurance in perpetuity on the damaged home, if required. For movable housing units, the flood insurance must be maintained at any point that the unit is located in an area requiring flood insurance. Execution of a program covenant memorializing the flood insurance requirement will also be required for homes in located in designated flood plain areas.

Program Duration is January 2017 - December 2021

City of Columbia Small Business Disaster Recovery Program
Eligible Activity: Special Economic Development Activity
National Objective: Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Jobs
Budget Allocation: $200,000

The Small Business Disaster Recovery (SBDR) Program will provide forgivable loans up to $20,000 to businesses affected by the October 2015 Flood that continue to experience

challenges to their recovery. Applicants may use funds for working capital, inventory, furnishings and equipment, and cleanup and repair. Loans will be forgiven over a period of three years with 33.3% forgiven each year on the anniversary of the loan closing. All forgivable loans require a personal guarantee from the borrower. While the forgivable loan is outstanding, the borrower agrees to supply the Office of Business Opportunities with annual proof of good standing:

- Copy of valid business license
- Current paid property tax receipt showing no balance
- Current property and liability insurance for premises
- Copy of most recent water and sewer bill showing no balance
- Job retention/creation tracking form

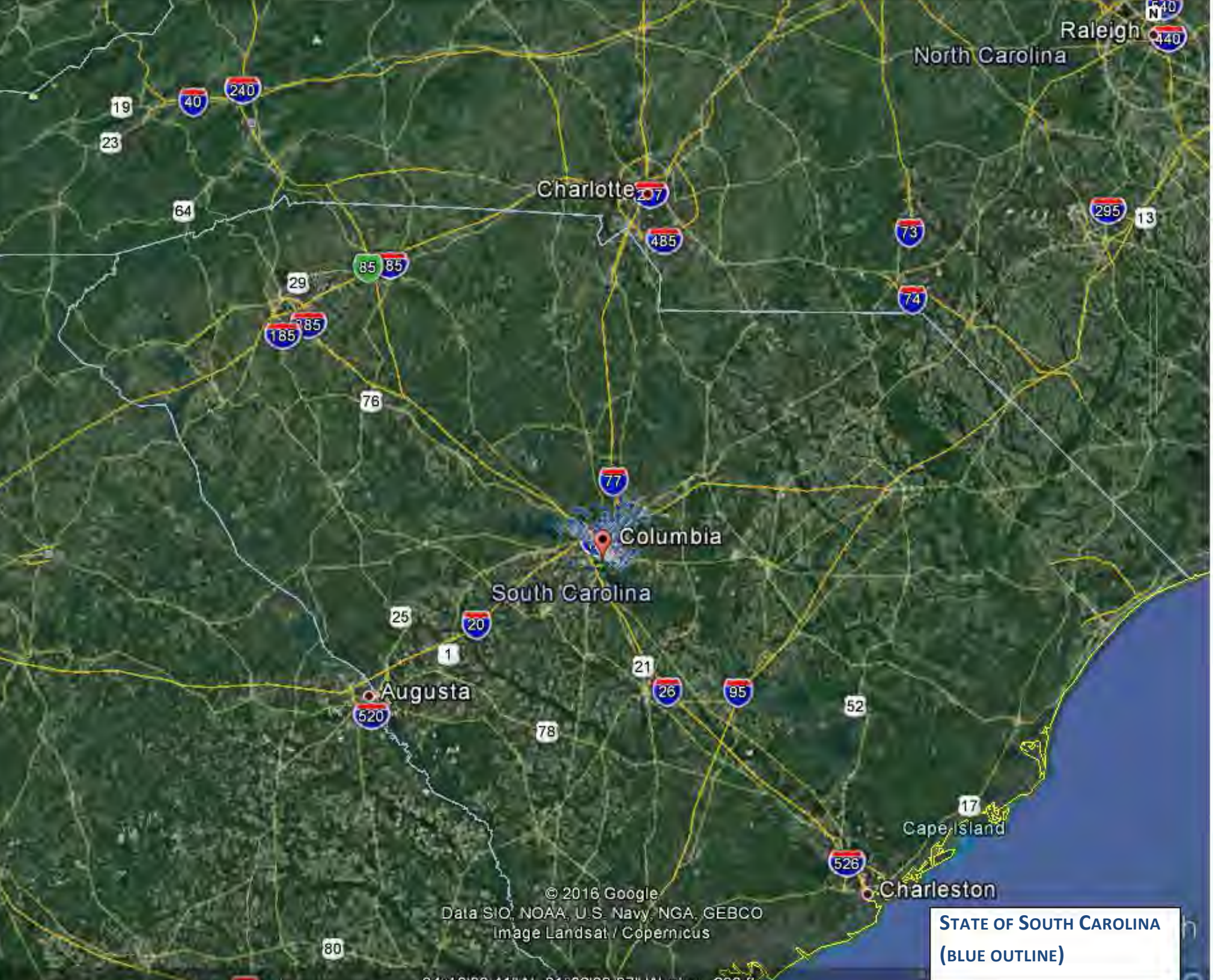
The forgivable loan shall be considered in default and repaid only if the Borrower closes, sells or has a significant change in ownership for any reason, to include foreclosure and/or any other legal action, prior to the three-year maturity date. In addition, the owner will be in default if low-to-moderate income jobs are not documented or reported in compliance with the program grant agreement. If default occurs, Borrower will be issued a notice by the Lender requesting immediate repayment of the pro-rated amount remaining on the forgivable loan. The SBDR is expected to provide sustainability to local small businesses and job retention and economic revitalization to commercial corridors affected by the storms and resulting flood.

Eligibility requirements for participants in this program are as follows:

- Businesses must be located in the City of Columbia.
- Businesses must have applied to FEMA or SBA for disaster assistance. These funds may be used by those who were denied funding by FEMA or SBA or used as gap financing for those who have needs in excess of the amount received from other sources.
- Businesses must have disaster losses not covered by any other insurance.
- Applicants must qualify as a Small Business with less than 50 employees as defined by the City.
- Business Owners must have owned and operated the business as of and prior to the date of the storm event (October, 2015).
- Priority will be given to businesses located in the most impacted areas as defined by the City of Columbia.
- Businesses must provide financial statements, tax returns or other documentation at the request of the City of Columbia to demonstrate continuing unmet need.

Duration of program: January 2017-December 2021

Maps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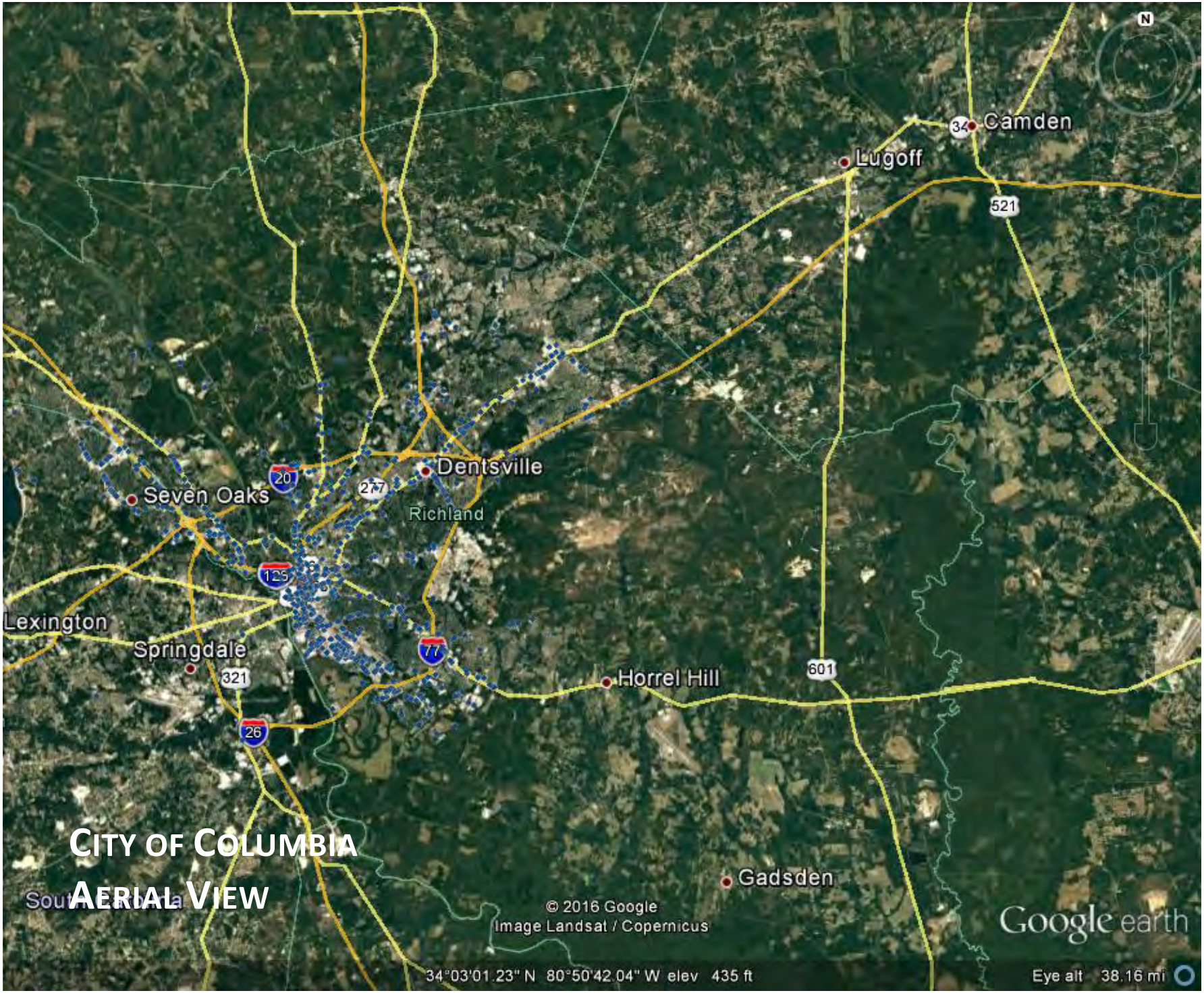

City of Columbia Aerial View

City Limits
Columbia, SC

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County Boundary
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FEMA FIRM

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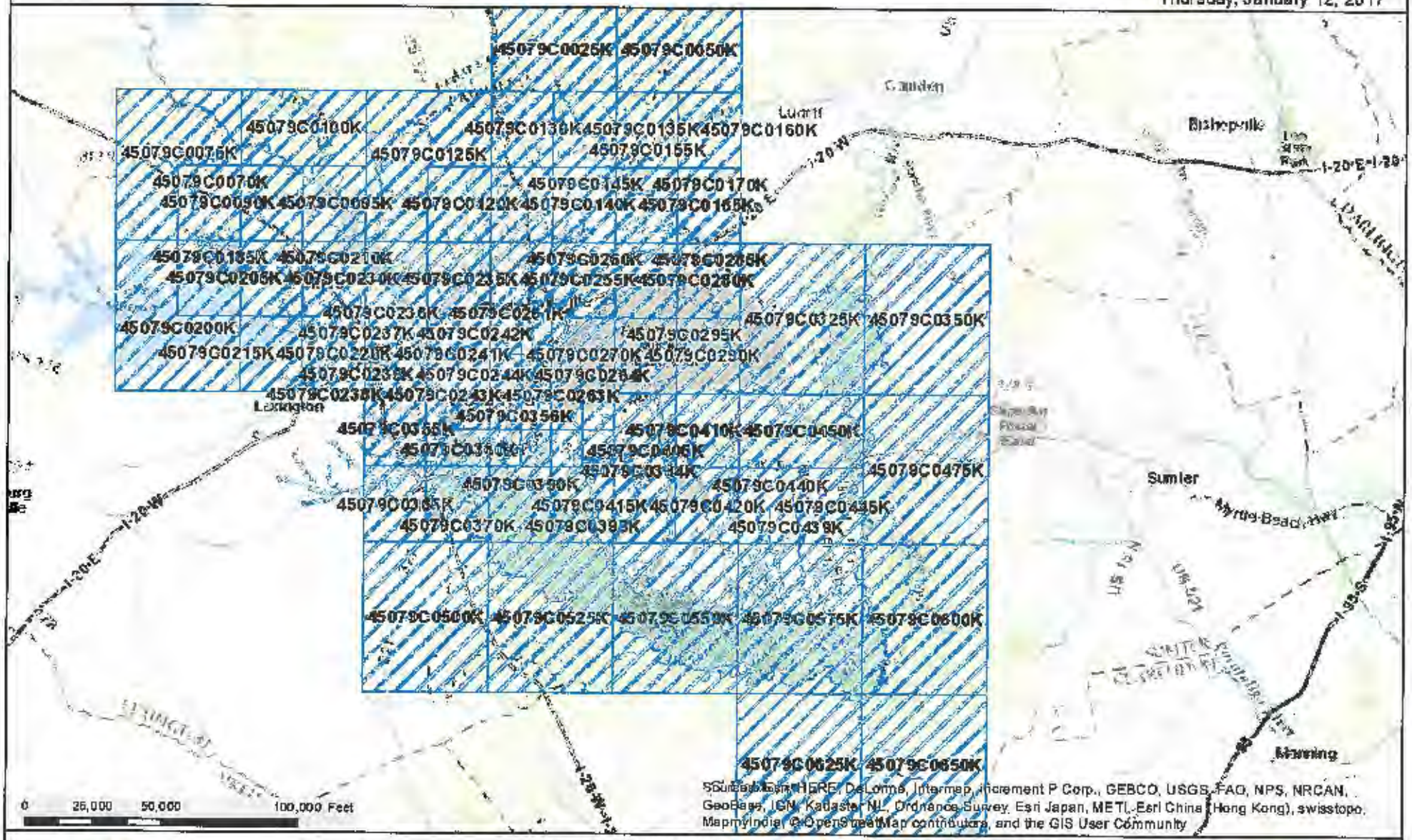

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Floodplain

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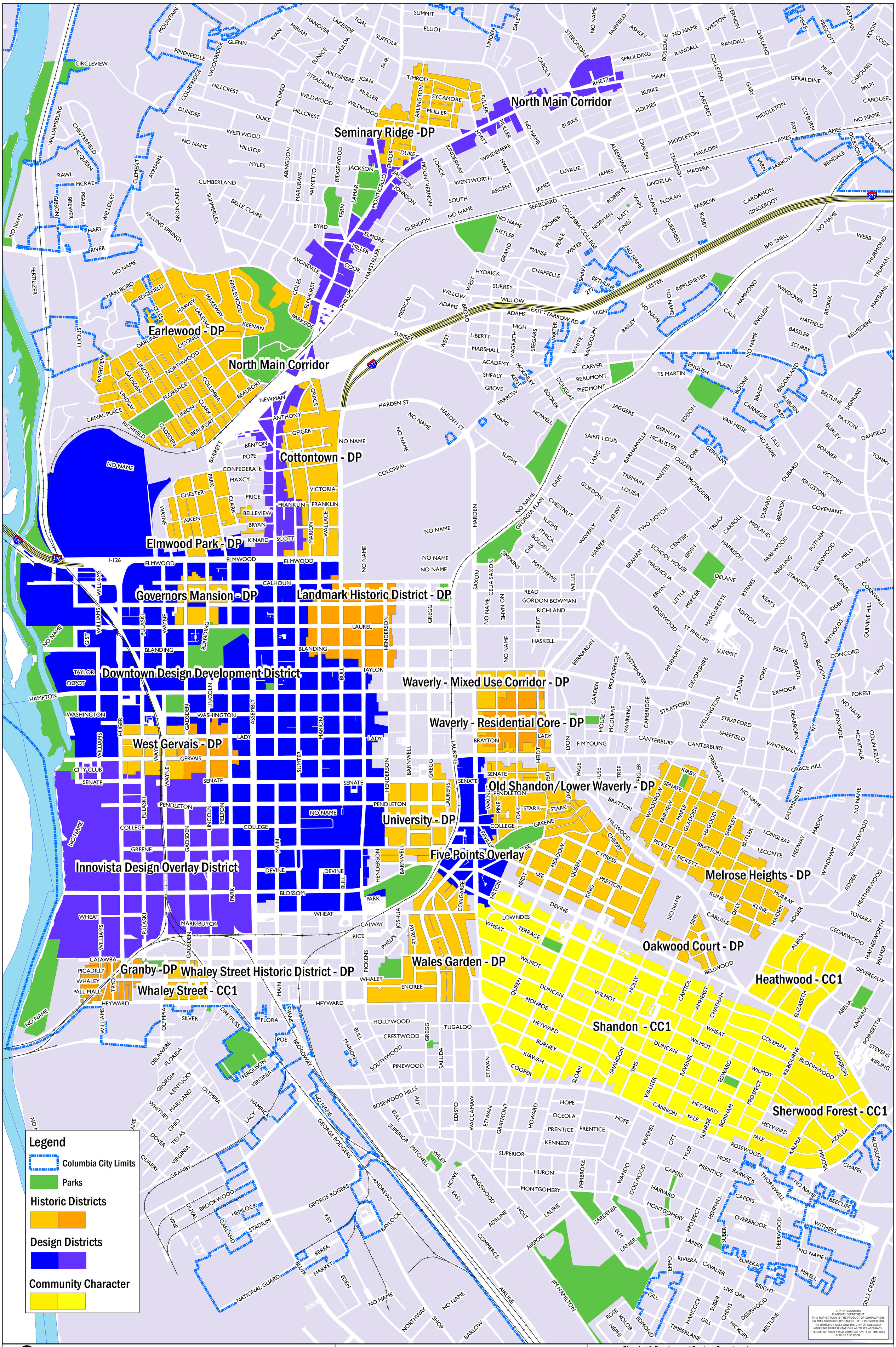

Urban Design & Historic Preservation Districts

City of Columbia, SC

Planning & Development Services Department
December 19, 2013
Prepared by: S. Zigmund

Determination of Level of Review

Determination of Level of Environmental Review

As the Responsible Entity, the City of Columbia has evaluated the scope of its five housing programs, aggregated functionally, and determined a tiered environmental review is appropriate as described in 24 CFR 58.15. The City has conducted a city-wide review of scattered sites as required by a Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.5 until specific addresses can be determined for eligible applicants. A *site specific* environmental review, which will be completed for each eligible property, will identify flood plains, historic properties, noise issues, the presence of asbestos, any above ground hazards, and any other factors not addressed in the Tier I review. These site specific environmental reviews will be completed for each property before project bidding or taking any choice limiting actions.

The City of Columbia has complied with the statutory laws and authorities cited in §58.5 (see the attached Statutory Checklist) and with the requirements of §58.6, completing the Compliance Checklist related to Flood Disaster Protection; restrictions for a project located in Coastal Barrier Resource Areas; and buyer notifications if a project is located in a Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone. A Categorical Exclusion Not Subject to 58.5 has been completed for the provision of forgivable loans to small businesses in the City's most heavily damaged areas. Program administration and project delivery services are environmentally Exempt activities.

Section 106 Historic Preservation Compliance Review

The City of Columbia has executed an Addendum to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Programmatic Agreement with South Carolina to expedite Section 106 reviews of historic properties that may be affected by one of the housing programs described above. Under the Unified Federal Review process each Responsible Entity must perform sufficient public outreach. A Public Notice concerning the proposed Addendum was published in *The State* on February 24, 2017 and letters were sent to the Richland County Conservation Commission, the Lexington County Historical Society, Historic Columbia, and the SC Department of Archives and History.

Ms. Stacy L. Richie, a Historic Preservation Planner with Columbia's Planning and Development Department, meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards to conduct Section 106 reviews and has been confirmed by HUD. The executed Addendum, a cover letter, and a copy of Ms. Richie's resume have been submitted to HUD and will be posted on the Section 106 Agreements section of the HUD Historic Preservation website.

As part of its broad programmatic review, the City has defined the Area of Potential Effects (APE) as any of the 15 historic preservation districts within the city limits. Individual sites cannot be identified until applicant eligibility has been confirmed. The City anticipates few historic

properties eligible for rehabilitation or elevation under this program will be affected. (See attached Historic Preservation District Map)

Statutory Checklist

for

Compliance with 24 CFR 58.5

NEPA Related Federal Laws and Authorities

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Statutory Checklist for Compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA Related Federal Laws and Authorities

(Must be completed for each individual addressed under overall project description)

Use this worksheet for projects that are Categorically Excluded Subject to 24 CFR §58.5 listed at 24 CFR §58.35(a) and for projects that require an Environmental Assessment.

Project Name: Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program

ERR FILE # _____

Definitions: **A:** The project is in compliance.
B: The project requires an additional compliance step or action.

Statute, Authority, Executive Order Cited at 24 CFR §58.5	A	B	COMPLIANCE FINDING	SOURCE DOCUMENTATION
1. 58.5(a) Historic Properties [36 CFR 800]	X		The project is in compliance.	The City of Columbia has executed a Programmatic Agreement with FEMA, THPO, and the SC SHPO to expedite Section 106 reviews and compliance with 36 CFR 800 (Exhibit 1). See written strategy and site specific checklist.
2. 58.5(b)(1) Floodplain Management [24 CFR 55, Executive Order 11988]		X	Consultation/review procedures required	The City of Columbia will follow HUD's 8-step decision process as part of its site-specific strategy in this tiered review. See written strategy. Floodplain Map and FEMA FIRM are attached. (Exhibit 2)
3. 58.5(b)(2) Wetland Protection [24 CFR 55, Executive Order 11990]		X	Consultation/review procedures required	The City of Columbia will perform a site specific assessment for each residence proposed for rehabilitation to determine the effect, if any, on wetlands. See written strategy. National Wetlands Inventory map is attached (Exhibit 3)
4. 58.5(c) Coastal Zone Management [Coastal Zone Management Act sections 307(c) & (d)]	X		The project is in compliance.	The City of Columbia is not within a Coastal Zone. See attached Coastal Barrier Resources System map (Exhibit 4).
5. 58.5(d) Sole Source Aquifers [40 CFR 149]	X		The project is in compliance.	The City of Columbia is not within a sole source aquifer watershed area. (Exhibit 5)

6. 58.5(e) Endangered Species [50 CFR 402]	X		The project is in compliance.	Rehabilitation or demolition of existing residences will have no effect on endangered species in the area. There are no critical habitats within the city limits according to the USFWS website. A map of critical habitats and Resource List of endangered species for Columbia are attached (Exhibit 6).
7. 58.5(f) Wild and Scenic Rivers [36 CFR 297]	X		Project is in compliance.	In an email on 2/9/17 Bill Marshall, Rivers Coordinator, SC DNR, states that proposed activities will be restricted to existing structures on developed sites with no changes in land use and therefore will have little or no adverse effect on rivers. The City will apply Best Management Practices as described by SCDHEC to mitigate potential polluted runoff from work sites. See written strategy for site specific assessments. A NWSRS map is attached (Exhibit 7).
8. 58.5(g) Air Quality [40 CFR parts 6, 51,61, 93]	X		Project is in compliance.	In a letter dated 1/25/17, Rhonda Thompson, Chief, Bureau of Air Quality, DHEC, stated the project is consistent with the State Implementation Plan and no air quality permits are needed. A map of nonattainment areas does not include Columbia, SC (Exhibit 8). The City will perform site specific assessments on residences to determine the presence of asbestos or mold and remediate any effect. See written strategy.
9. 58.5(h) Farmland Protection [7 CFR 658]	X		Project is in compliance.	All activities will take place within the City limits, zoned for urban uses and will have no effect on farmland. Zoning maps and legends are attached (Exhibit 9).
10. 58.5(i)(1) Noise Control and Abatement [24 CFR 51B]		X	Consultation/review procedures required	The City of Columbia will perform site specific assessments on individual residences to determine the effect on noise levels. See written strategy.
11. 58.5 (i) (1) Explosive and Flammable Operations [24 CFR 51C]		X	Consultation/review procedures required.	The City of Columbia will perform site specific assessments on individual residences to determine whether explosive or flammable operations are within one mile of the site. See written strategy.
12. 58.5(i)(1) Airport Hazards (Runway Clear Zones and Clear Zones/Accident Potential Zones) [24 CFR 51D]	X		Project is in compliance.	These programs will not change the current use of the property, prolong the physical or economic life of the structures, or increase the unit density or number of people at the site. Michael Gula, Director of Operations, Columbia Metropolitan Airport, states no property within the city limits is within 2500 feet of Airport Clear Zones or Runway Clear Zones. A map indicating CAE is 5.85 miles outside of the city limits where all activities will take place is attached (Exhibit 10).
13. 58.5(i)(2)(i-iv) Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR 58.5(i)(2)]		X	Consultation/review procedures required	The City of Columbia will assess individual residences to determine if the property is located within the minimum search distances of any type of environmental contamination. See written strategy.
14. 58.5(j) Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898]	X		The project is in compliance.	The City of Columbia solicited a determination from EPA Region 4 concerning potential program impacts on Environmental Justice. No response has been received to date; however,

				the CDBG DR Program is designed to assist primarily low income and minority neighborhoods. No adverse environmental impact is anticipated. A map of Household Median Income by Block Group is attached (Exhibit 11).

DETERMINATION:

☐ **Box "A" has been checked for all authorities.** For Categorically Excluded actions pursuant to §58.35(a) [Does not apply to EA or EIS level of review which can never convert to Exempt], the project can convert to Exempt, per §58.34(a) (12), since the project does not require any compliance measures (e.g., consultation, mitigation, permit or approval) with respect to any law or authority cited at §58.5. The project is now made Exempt and **funds may be drawn down**; OR

☒ **Box "B" has been checked for one or more authority.** For Categorically Excluded actions pursuant to §58.35(a), the project cannot convert to Exempt since one or more authority requires compliance, including but not limited to consultation with or approval from an oversight agency, performance of a study or analysis, completion of remediation or mitigation measure, or obtaining of license or permit. **Complete pertinent compliance requirement(s), publish NOI/RROF, request release of funds (HUD-7105.15), and obtain HUD's Authority to Use Grant Funds (HUD-7015.16) per §58.70 and §58.71 before committing funds**; OR

☐ This project is not a Categorically Excluded action pursuant to §58.35(a), or may result in a significant environmental impact to the environment, and requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA). Prepare the EA according to 24 CFR Part 58 Subpart E.

MITIGATION MEASURES AND CONDITIONS FOR PROJECT APPROVAL:

The City of Columbia is preparing a Tiered Environmental Review for its Disaster Recovery housing rehabilitation and acquisition/disposition activities. This Statutory Checklist supports a broad, programmatic review. Details regarding further consultations, mitigation measures, permit requirements, approvals and contract, grant, and loan conditions are included in the Environmental Review Record Project Description - Strategy to Address Site Specific Compliance Factors.

The City will comply with all state and federal asbestos regulations, seeking assistance from the DHEC in conducting asbestos inspections and materials testing, preparing demolition notifications, and obtaining asbestos permits, if necessary. If applicable, compliance with the National Emissions Standards for Asbestos regulations at 40 CFR Part 61 will be achieved and mold remediation will be completed.

If the project is located within a 100 year floodplain or involves a critical action within a 500 year floodplain, the City will complete the 8 step decision-making process to comply with 24 CFR Part 55, HUD's Floodplain Management and Wetland Protection regulations. If the project involves major rehabilitation within a designated wetland, the City will comply with the decision-making process defined in 24 CFR 55.20 and apply for a Section 404 general permit.

Where practicable, the City will modify any proposed action to minimize adverse effects on wetlands through the use of permeable surfaces, bioswales, storm water capture and reuse, and flood-proofing and elevating structures above Base Flood Elevation (BFE), among others. All properties in the floodplain or floodway must obtain flood insurance to be maintained in perpetuity.

Flood proofing adjustments and additions during residential rehabilitation include:

- Installation of watertight shields for doors and windows.
- Reinforcement of walls to withstand floodwater pressures and impact forces generated by floating debris.
- Use of membranes and other sealants to reduce seepage of floodwater through walls and wall penetrations.
- Installation of drainage collection systems and sump pumps to control interior water levels, collect seepage, and reduce hydrostatic pressures on the slab and walls.
- Installation of check valves to prevent the entrance of floodwater or sewage flows through utilities.
- Anchoring the building to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement.

Toxic substances will be removed, stabilized or encapsulated and a specific remediation plan developed when necessary.

PREPARER:

Gloria Saeed _____ 4/3/17 _____

Preparer's Signature Date

Gloria Saeed, Director, Community Development Department, City of Columbia

Preparer's Name and Title (printed)

Exhibits

LIST OF EXHIBITS

1. Programmatic Agreement FEMA, SCSHPO, SCEMD and TPHO and City of Columbia Addendum
2. Floodplain Map and FEMA FIRM
3. National Wetlands Inventory Map
4. Coastal Barrier Resources System Map
5. Sole Source Aquifers Region IV Map
6. Map of Critical Habitats and Resource List of Endangered Species; Memorandum to File Concerning Endangered Species
7. National Wild and Scenic Rivers Map
8. SO2 Nonattainment Area Map
9. City of Columbia Zoning Maps
10. Columbia Metropolitan Airport Map
11. Low to Moderate Income Maps

FEMA Programmatic Agreement

With South Carolina SHPO, EMD and TPHO

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Greetings.
The City of Columbia has signed the HUD Addendum to the FEMA PA and may now use the procedures in the FEMA PA to review their CDBG-DR projects.
Attached is a copy of the Addendum signature page and a cover memo describing the activities the city plans to undertake in their CDBG-DR program. Also attached is the resume of the qualified professional who will conduct Tier II reviews under the PA.
The Addendum documents for the City of Columbia, as well as the previously executed documents for the South Carolina Disaster Recovery Office, Lexington County, and Richland County, will be posted in HUD's online Section 106 Disaster Recovery Database in the near future.
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.
Thank you.
Best regards,
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Subject: RE: SC HP PA Addendum FEMA Signature Page

Greetings.

Following our recent request for signatures on the HUD Addendum to the FEMA Programmatic Agreement, the three Signatories -FEMA, SHPO, and SC Emergency Management – have executed the Addendum and it is in effect. Thank you very much for your work to facilitate the Addendum.

The South Carolina Disaster Recovery Office (SCDRO) has also signed the Addendum and may now use the procedures in the FEMA PA to review their CDBG-DR projects. SCDRO submitted the resume (attached) of their qualified historic preservation professional, Derek Galose, who will review Tier 2 Programmatic Allowances under the procedure in the FEMA PA, as well as conduct Section 106 review of projects that do not fall under the Allowances. Also attached is a memo from SCDRO that describes the types of disaster recovery activities that the state expects to support with CDBG-DR funds. SCDRO plans to assist 1500 homeowners, and the expedited procedures in the PA will streamline the review of many projects that do not have the potential to adversely affect historic buildings or archeological resources.

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians and the Catawba Indian Nation have been invited to sign the Addendum as Invited Signatories and are welcome to sign at any time.

Also, it is expected that Lexington County, Richland County, and the City of Columbia will sign the Addendum in the near future. We will notify you when those entities have executed the Addendum.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Best regards,
Nancy

Nancy E. Boone
Federal Preservation Officer
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Environment and Energy
451 7th Street SW, Room 7212
Washington, DC 20410
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March 3, 2017

Nancy E. Boone, Federal Preservation Officer
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Environment and Energy
451 7th Street SW, Room 7212
Washington, DC 20410

RE: HUD Addendum to the FEMA Programmatic Agreement

Ms. Boone:

The City of Columbia, under the administration of the Community Development Department, will be using CDBG Disaster Recovery funds to assist homeowners and small rental property owners of one to four (1-4) units in the following types of activities:

Rehabilitation, Repair, Remediation,
Elevation, and Acquisition/Buyout of Single Family Homes

As the Responsible Entity, the City of Columbia determined a tiered environmental review, as described in 24 CFR 58.15, is appropriate for its five (5) Disaster Recovery housing programs. The City is conducting a city-wide review of scattered sites until specific addresses can be determined for eligible applicants. A *site specific* environmental review, which will be completed for each eligible property, will identify flood plains, historic properties, noise issues, the presence of asbestos, and any above ground hazards, if applicable.

Rehabilitation activities will assist flood-damaged households in the most heavily impacted areas of Columbia along the banks of Lake Katherine, Central and Lower Gills Creek, Wildcat Creek, and Penn Branch. All improvements, products, and fixtures will promote energy efficiency, water conservation, and green building practices to the extent applicable, including:

- Roof repair/replacement
- Flooring repair/replacement
- Electrical repair/replacement
- Window repair/replacement
- Electrical and plumbing fixtures

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- Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) equipment
- Appliance replacement
- Lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility
- Insulation and sheetrock repair/replacement
- Building foundation repair/replacement/elevation
- Repair/replacement unsafe water and sewer supplies
- Drainage improvements

A public notice of the City's intention to adopt the FEMA Programmatic Agreement by Addendum was published in *The State* on Friday, February 24, 2017. Similar notices were sent via email to potentially interested parties: the Lexington County Historical Society, Historic Columbia, the Richland County Conservation Commission, and the State Historic Preservation Officer, South Carolina Department of Archives and History.

On behalf of the City of Columbia, Ms. Staci Richie, a qualified historic preservation professional, will conduct Section 106 reviews of projects with activities included in the Tier 2 program allowances (exemptions) in the Programmatic Agreement (PA), as well as the standard Section 106 review of projects with activities that extend beyond the exemptions in the PA. Ms. Richie's resume is attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information during your review.

Regards,

Teresa Wilson

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3/2/2017

Date

From: Boone, Nancy E
To: Gorman, Maya
Cc: McNamara, Lauren B; Bristow, Dollie; Saeed, Gloria; Jeanne Yacoub
Subject: RE: Request Review of Resumes for Historic Preservation Professional
Date: Wednesday, February 01, 2017 2:59:54 PM

Hello, Maya.

Thank you for sending the resumes of Ms. Richie and Mr. Zavislak. The Programmatic Agreement and Addendum require that a qualified historic preservation professional conduct Section 106 reviews of projects with activities included in the Tier 2 program allowances (exemptions) in the PA, as well as the standard Section 106 review of projects with activities that extend beyond the exemptions in the PA. Projects that consist solely of activities in the Tier 1 program allowances do not require a historic preservation professional to complete the review.

While clearly experienced in NEPA reviews in technical areas, Mr. Zavislak does not appear to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification standards for historic preservation which require academic training in history and/or architectural history.

With a Master's degree in Public History, a recognized historic preservation- related field, and her related Section 106 experience, Ms. Richie does meet the Professional Qualification Standards.

Thank you.

Best regards,
Nancy

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From: Gorman, Maya [mailto:magorman@columbiasc.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 5:02 PM
To: Boone, Nancy E <Nancy.E.Boone@hud.gov>
Cc: McNamara, Lauren B <Lauren.B.McNamara@hud.gov>; Bristow, Dollie <ddbristow@columbiasc.net>; Saeed, Gloria <gjsaeed@columbiasc.net>; Jeanne Yacoub <jeanney@landmarkconsultingllc.com>
Subject: Request Review of Resumes for Historic Preservation Professional

Nancy,

As recommended in the Protocol for Responsible Entities to adopt the HUD addendum to the FEMA Programmatic Agreement for CDBG Disaster Recovery projects in South Carolina, the City of Columbia is asking you to preview the resumes of two potential candidates to perform the Section 106 Historic Preservation environmental reviews.

Ms. Richie is a Historic Preservation Planner with the City of Columbia with experience completing Section 106 Reviews during her five year tenure as an Architectural Historian at New South Associates. Ms. Richie estimates she could dedicate approximately five hours a week to the Disaster Recovery program.

Mr. Zavislak, the Environmental Manager at Summit Engineering, is conducting NEPA surveys for the City of Columbia as part of its due diligence in obtaining HUD Entitlement Community Development Block Grant funding. Mr. Zavislak would work on an *on-call basis* if selected for this assignment.

As you may know, the City of Columbia has chosen to perform a tiered environmental review for our Disaster Recovery program aggregating five housing programs under a broad, city-wide review of scattered sites until specific addresses can be determined for eligible applicants. A *site specific* environmental review, which will be completed for each eligible property before project bidding or choice limiting actions are taken, will identify historic properties if applicable.

Please let me know if you require any additional information to complete your review of these two candidates. If, in your opinion, Ms. Richie and/or Ms. Zavislak are unqualified for this position, the City will solicit resumes from other architectural history professionals in the Columbia area before executing the PA Addendum.

Regards,
Maya Gorman
CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager

Gorman, Maya

From: Richey, Staci L
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:43 AM
To: Gorman, Maya
Cc: Saeed, Gloria
Subject: RE: SC HP PA Addendum FEMA

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hello,
My apologies, I did not answer one of your questions. My job at New South was about 90% Section 106 review or mitigation projects. We were hired a lot by the SCDOT to fulfill their requirements as a receiver of federal funding to investigate above and below ground cultural resources that would be affected by their project, such as the replacement of a bridge or the widening of a road. I would review above-ground resources through research and field visits all over the state and beyond, taking photographs and compiling a report that would then be submitted to the State Preservation Office as part of the formal Section 106 review process.
Thanks,
Staci

Staci L. Richey, Historic Preservation Planner
Planning and Development Services
1136 Washington Street, Columbia, SC 29201
Phone: 803-545-3328
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columbiaplanning.net
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From: Gorman, Maya
Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2017 2:51 PM
To: Richey, Staci L
Cc: Saeed, Gloria
Subject: RE: SC HP PA Addendum FEMA

Staci,

I reviewed the resume you sent Gloria and I think you may meet the qualifications HUD is requesting. Would you be able to devote some time to the Disaster Recovery program? I am preparing the Tier 1 review and we will have a Programmatic Agreement with SHPO to expedite historic property reviews, but we don't know yet exactly how many properties will need site specific reviews.
If you are interested, would you mind expanding on your responsibilities at New South Associates, particularly concerning the SHPO Section 106 reviews? I'd like to submit your resume to Nancy Boone by the end of the week.

Please don't hesitate to call if you want to discuss.

Regards,
Maya Gorman

STACI RICHEY

7238 Holloway Rd. Columbia, SC 29209
(803) 546-4888 Staci.Richey@gmail.com

EDUCATION

May, 2005 **M.A. in Public History,** University of South Carolina
Dec., 2004 **Museum Management Certificate**, University of South Carolina
May, 2001 **B.A. in History, Music**, magna cum laude, Honors Scholars graduate, University of North Carolina at Wilmington

EMPLOYMENT

2010-present ***City Planner, City of Columbia, South Carolina***
Work with neighborhood residents, building owners and commission members to ensure renovation and new construction projects comply with applicable guidelines and ordinances. Create outreach and educational opportunities for the public.

2005-2010 ***Historian/Architectural Historian, New South Associates***
Conduct large-scale projects involving budgeting, scheduling, researching, writing and surveying for a variety of clients, including Section 106 review

2005 ***Historic Resources Surveyor, Historic Preservation Commission, Lexington, S.C.***
Survey historic buildings and sites in Lexington, S.C., create document with architectural descriptions and digital photographs, recommend preservation initiatives

2005 ***Preservation Coordinator, Historic Columbia Foundation***
Research and develop historical essays, newspaper articles, and tour scripts
Maintain updated files on preservation issues in the city, organize tours and events to educate the public, maintain event budget, coordinate with staff and event personnel

2003-2004 ***Historic Preservation Graduate Assistant, Historic Columbia Foundation***
Duties same as above.

2002-2003 ***Editing Graduate Assistant, Henry Laurens Papers, University of South Carolina***

1999-2001 ***Weekend Manager, Intern, Office Assistant, Volunteer, Bellamy Mansion Museum of History and Design Arts, Wilmington, North Carolina***

VOLUNTEER WORK AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

2012-present ***Project Director and Board Member, Committee for the Restoration and Beautification of Randolph Cemetery***
Coordinate and manage renovation projects of historic African-American cemetery and the renovation of an 1872 African-American family home, obtain and manage grants totaling more than $65,000 and a budget of over $100,000, organize public workshops

2012-2015 Presentations at the annual S.C. Statewide Historic Preservation Conference

CERTIFICATIONS

2015 International Window Restoration Summit, International Preservation Studies Center
2016 Specialty Contractor License: Carpentry, S.C. Labor and Licensing

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WHEREAS, FEMA makes assistance available to States, Commonwealths, commumt1es, Federally recognized Indian Tribes (Tribes) and other eligible entities through programs (Programs) set forth in Appendix A, pursuant to the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-296 (2002) (codified as amended at 6 U.S.C. § 101 *et seq.);* Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Pub. L. No. 93-288 (1974) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 5121 *et seq.*, (Stafford Act); the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, Pub. L. No. 90-448 (1968) (as amended); the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Pub. L. No. 103-325 (1994) (as amended); the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006, Pub. L. No. 109-295 (2006) (as amended); implementing regulations contained in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Executive Order 13407 (2006), and such other acts, executive orders, implementing regulations, or Congressionally authorized programs as are enacted from time to time; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has developed a Prototype Programmatic Agreement (FEMA Prototype ·-· :A:greernent)pursuant to ·36CFR §800;t4(b)(4) in consultatiorrwith the-ACHP and NCSHPOto serve as a basis for negotiation of a State/Tribal specific Programmatic Agreement with the SHPO, State/Tribal Emergency Management Agency, and/or participating Tribe(s); and

WHEREAS, FEMA consulted with the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEM) the Catawba Indian Nation, and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians to adopt and execute the FEMA Prototype Agreement for its Programs in South Carolina, and the South Carolina State specific Agreement (Agreement) was executed on October 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (Public Law 113-2, January 29, 2013), and other Congressionally authorized programs as are enacted from time to time, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocates Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds for disaster recovery activities similar to the activities covered by the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Disaster Recovery Office (SCDRO) and participating units of general local government have assumed HUD's environmental review responsibilities as Responsible Entities and are responsible for environmental review, decision-making and action, pursuant to Section I04(g) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and 24

CFR Part 58, and propose to administer Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds pursuant to the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016 and other Congressionally authorized programs as are enacted from time to time;

WHEREAS, Stipulation I.A.6. of the Agreement allows other Federal agencies, including state and local governments acting as Responsible Entities for CDBG-DR funds, to fulfill their Section 106 responsibilities for those types of activities covered under the terms of the Agreement by accepting and complying with the terms of the Agreement and executing this Addendum; and

WHEREAS, SCDRO and participating units of general local government will ensure that staff who meet the Secretary's Professional Qualification Standards will review Second Tier projects in accordance with Appendix B of the Agreement and will provide resumes of such staff to the signatories to this Addendum; and

NOW, THEREFORE, SCDRO and participating units of general local government agree to assume the federal agency role and accept the terms and conditions of the Agreement and subsequent amendments, as appropriate under HUD's authorizing legislation and regulations, and thereby take into account the effect of its undertakings and satisfy its Section 106 responsibilities for the CDBG-DR program for activities in their jurisdictions in South Carolina.

DURATION AND EXTENSION, This Addendum to the Agreement will remain in effect for currently open disast r de larations and subsequent disast r declarations in the stc1Je *9[* South Carolina; however, the Addendum will not exceed the expiration date of the Agreement. Signatories may collectively agree to extend this Addendum to cover additional calendar years provided that the Agreement is also extended.

EXECUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION, of this Addendum to the Agreement evidences that SCDRO and participating units of general local government have taken into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties, and that through the execution of this Addendum and implementation of the Agreement, SCDRO and participating units of general local government will satisfy their responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations for the referenced CDBG-DR program for activities in their jurisdictions in South Carolina. This Addendum may be executed in counterparts, with separate signature pages. Units of general local government may decide to participate and execute the Addendum at any time during the term of the Addendum.

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SIGNATORY PARTIES:

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Gracia B. Szczech Date: 11/16/16

Gracia B. Szczech

Regional Administrator
Region IV

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_____ Date: 4 Nov 16
Kim Stenson

Director

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INVITED SIGNATORIES:

UNITED KEETOOWAH BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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George Wickliffe

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INVITED SIGNATORIES:

CATAWBA INDIAN NATION

_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Date: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
William Harris

Chief

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Wenonah Haire

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

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SOUTH CAROLINA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

_____ Date: 11-4-16
W. Eric Emerson, Ph.D.

State Historic Preservation Officer

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Alan D. Young **Date:** 11-16-16
Alan D. Young

Director of Grants and Incentives
South Carolina Department of Commerce

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FLOODPLAIN MAP AND FEMA FIRM

City of Columbia

Floodplain

Thursday, January 12, 2017

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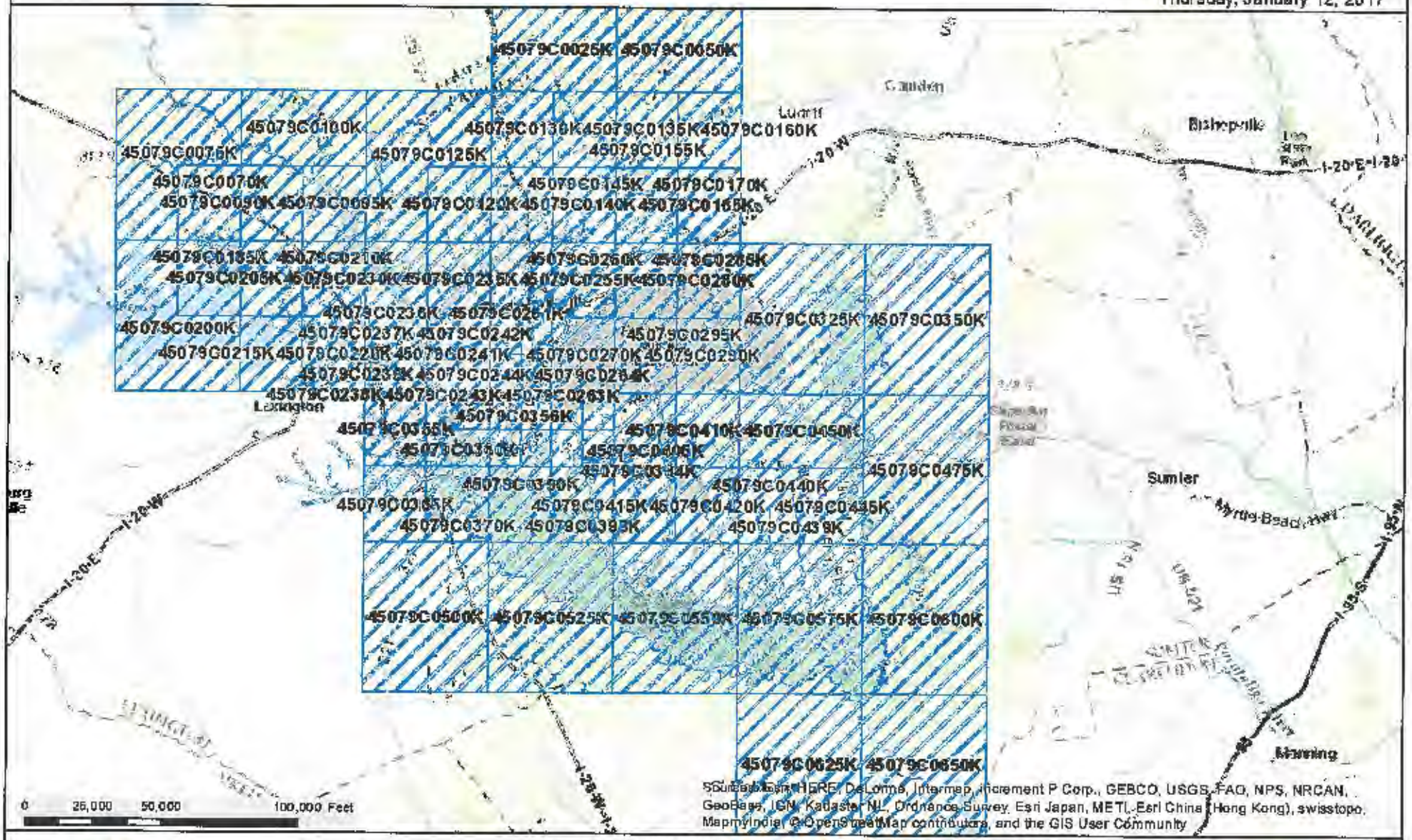

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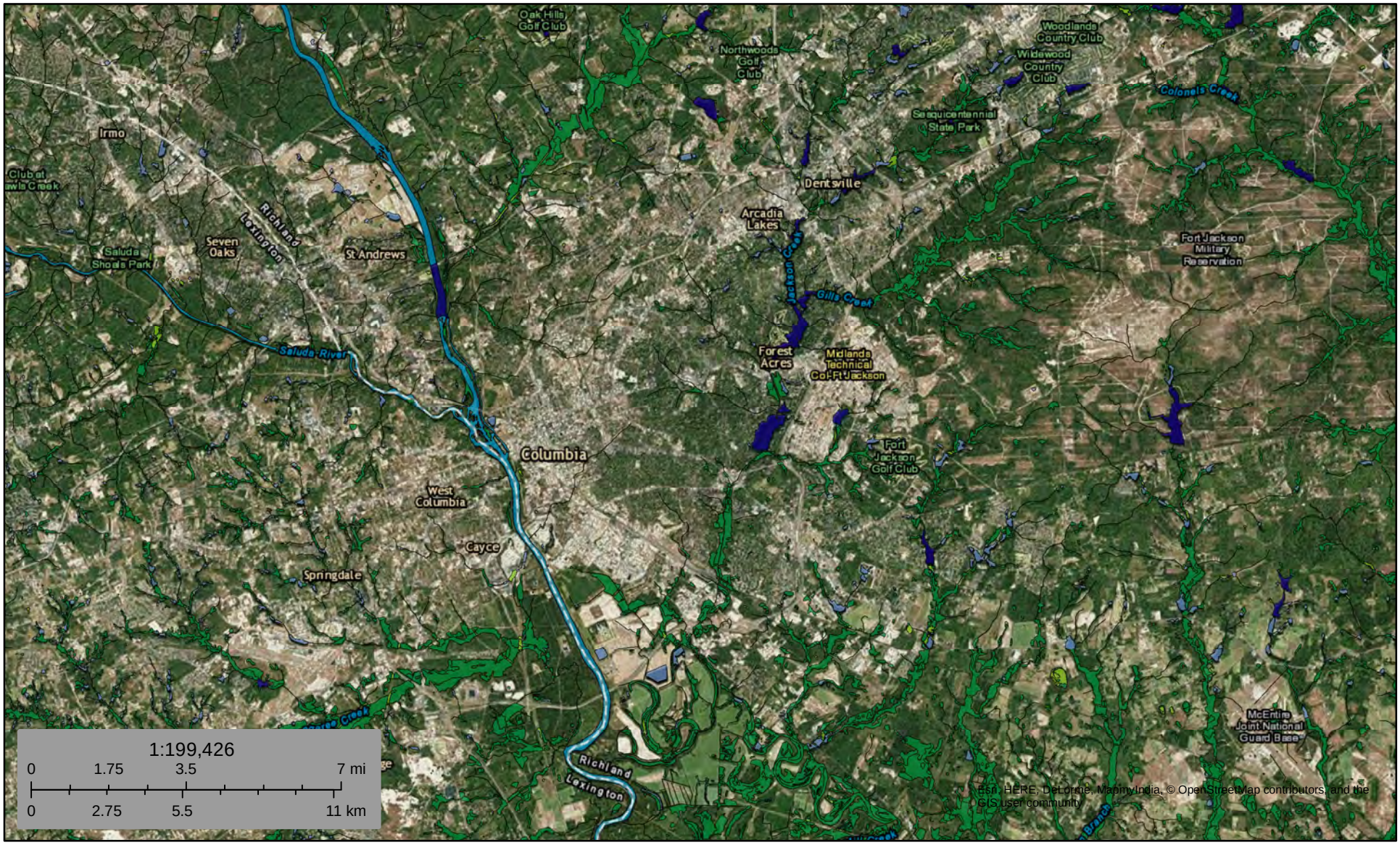
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

National Wetlands Inventory

Wetlands



December 29, 2016

- Estuarine and Marine Deepwater
- Estuarine and Marine Wetland
- Freshwater Emergent Wetland
- Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
- Freshwater Pond
- Lake
- Other
- Riverine

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National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)
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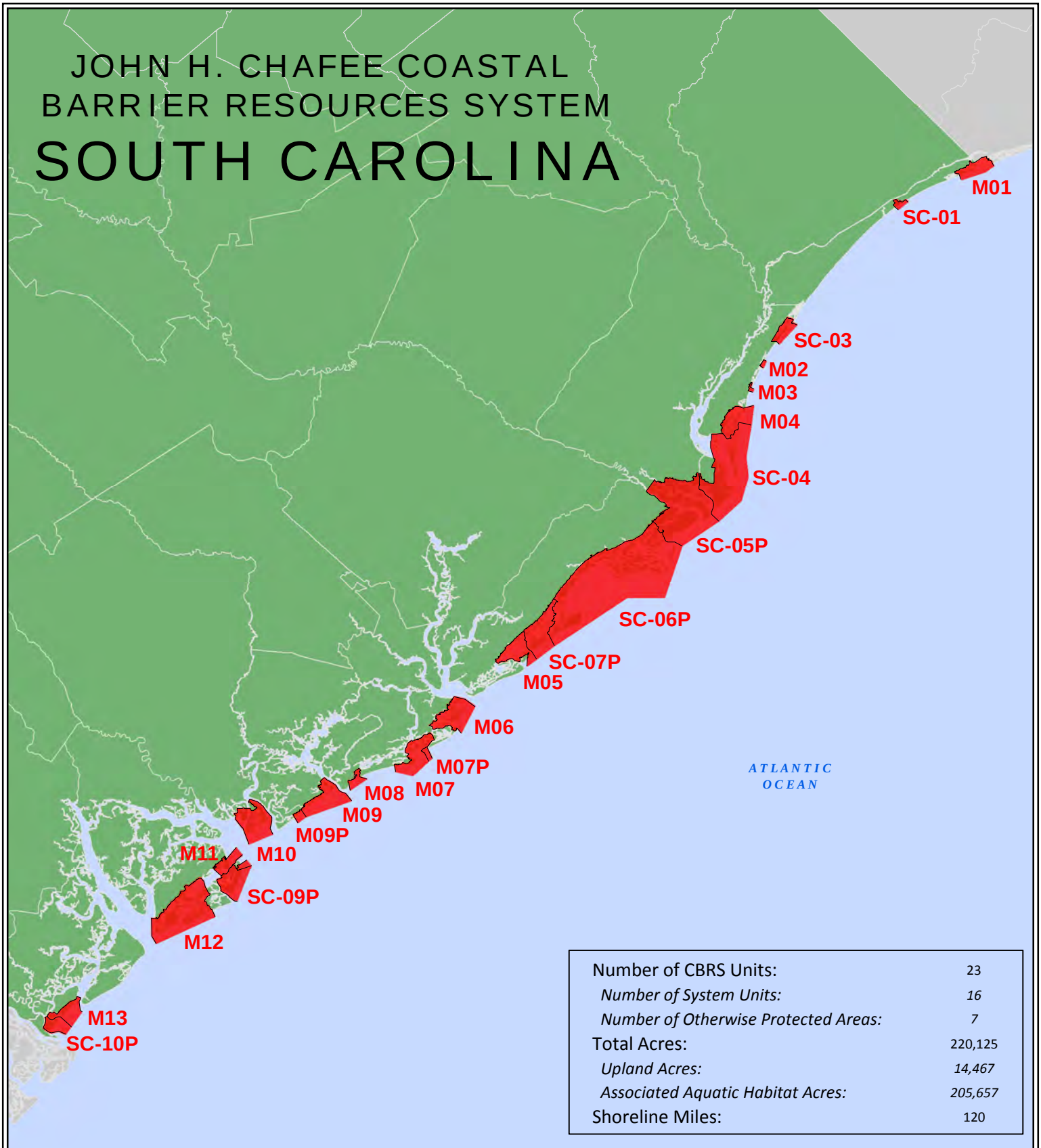
Coastal Barrier Resources System Map

JOHN H. CHAFEE COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM

SOUTH CAROLINA



Number of CBRS Units:	23
Number of System Units:	*16*
Number of Otherwise Protected Areas:	*7*
Total Acres:	220,125
Upland Acres:	*14,467*
Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres:	*205,657*
Shoreline Miles:	120

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Map Date: December 18, 2014

Boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) shown on this map were transferred from the official CBRS maps for this area and are depicted on this map (in red) for informational purposes only. The official CBRS maps are enacted by Congress via the Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended, and are maintained by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The official CBRS maps are available for download at http://www.fws.gov/CBRA/index.html.

Sole Source Aquifers Region IV

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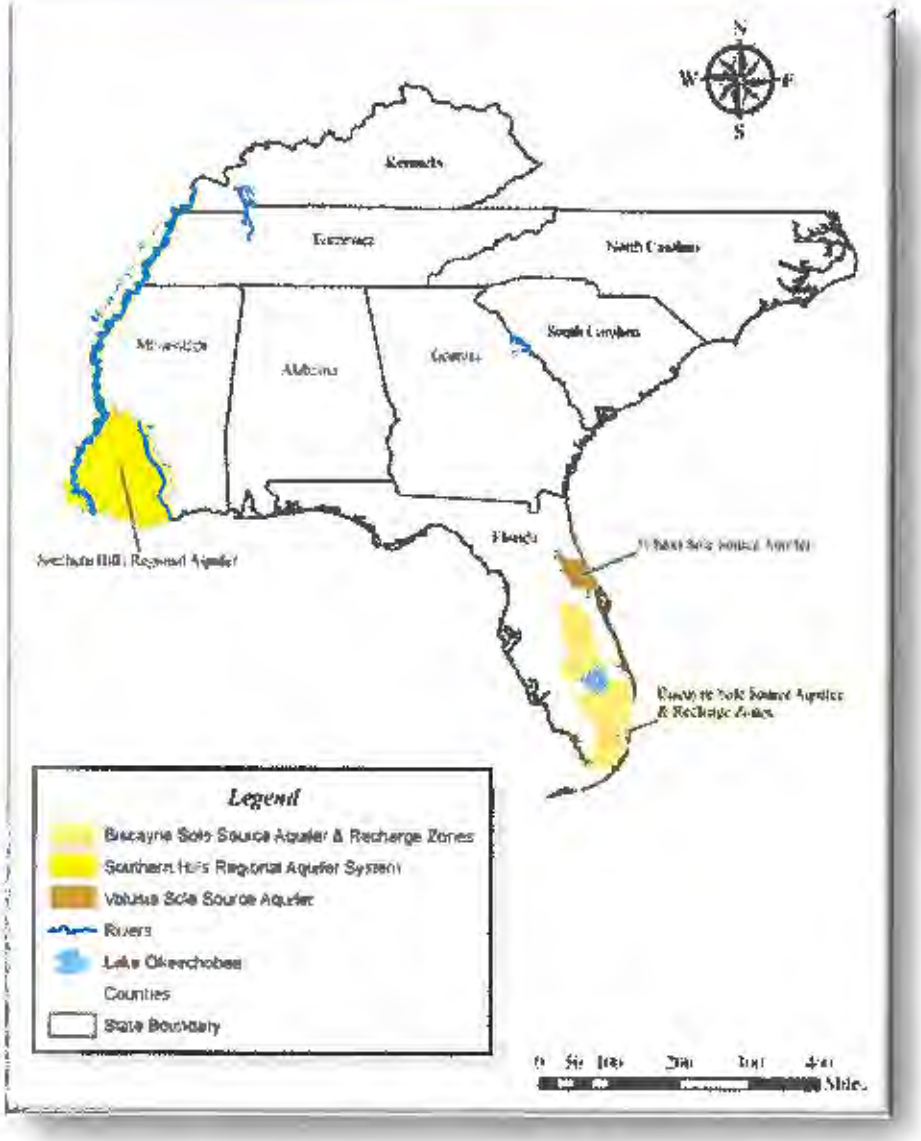


Critical Habitats and Endangered Species

Critical Habitat for Threatened & Endangered Species [USFWS]

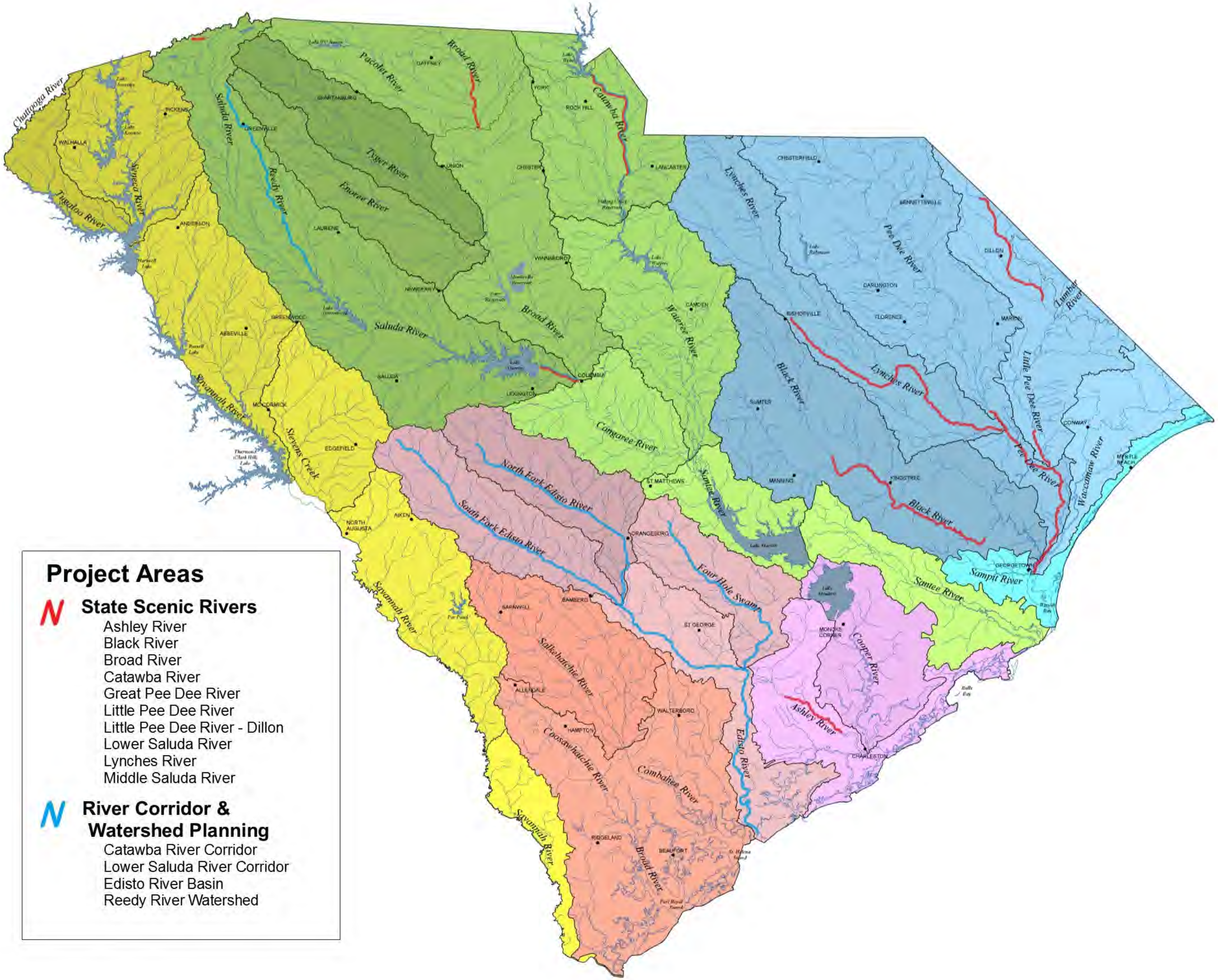
A specific geographic area(s) that contains features essential for the conservation of a threatened or endangered species and that may require special management and protection.

Esri, HERE, DeLorme, FAO, NOAA, USGS, EPA, NPS | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

National Wild and Scenic Rivers

NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM

Designations as of June 2015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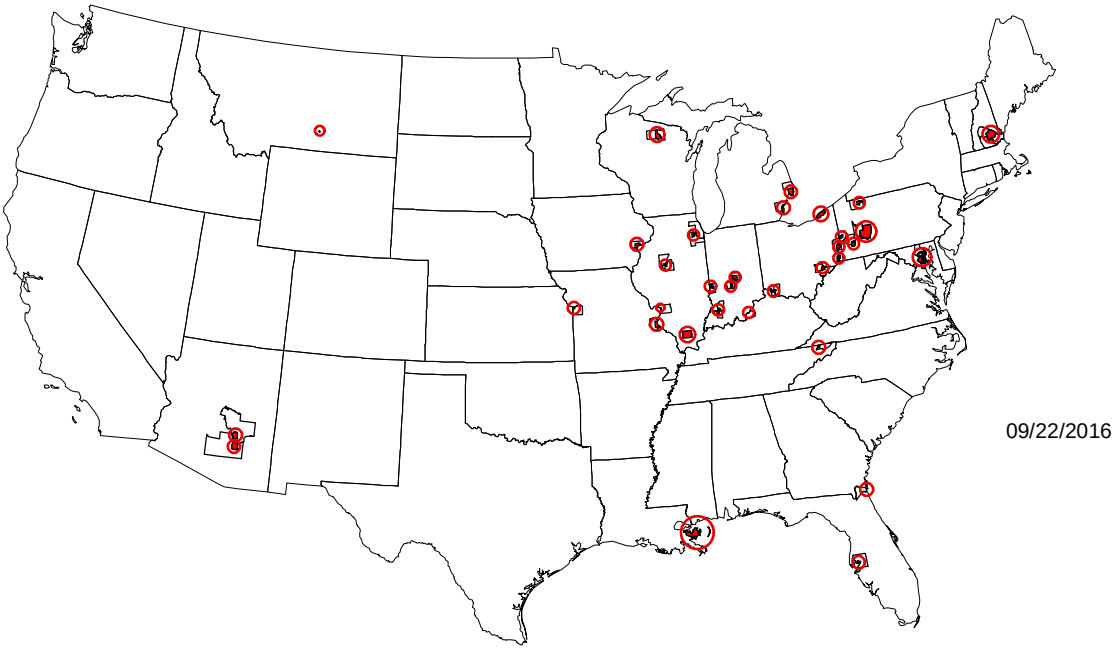
SO2 Nonattainment Area Map

SO2 Nonattainment Areas (2010 Standard)



Nonattainment areas are indicated by color.
When only a portion of a county is shown in color,
it indicates that only that part of the county is within
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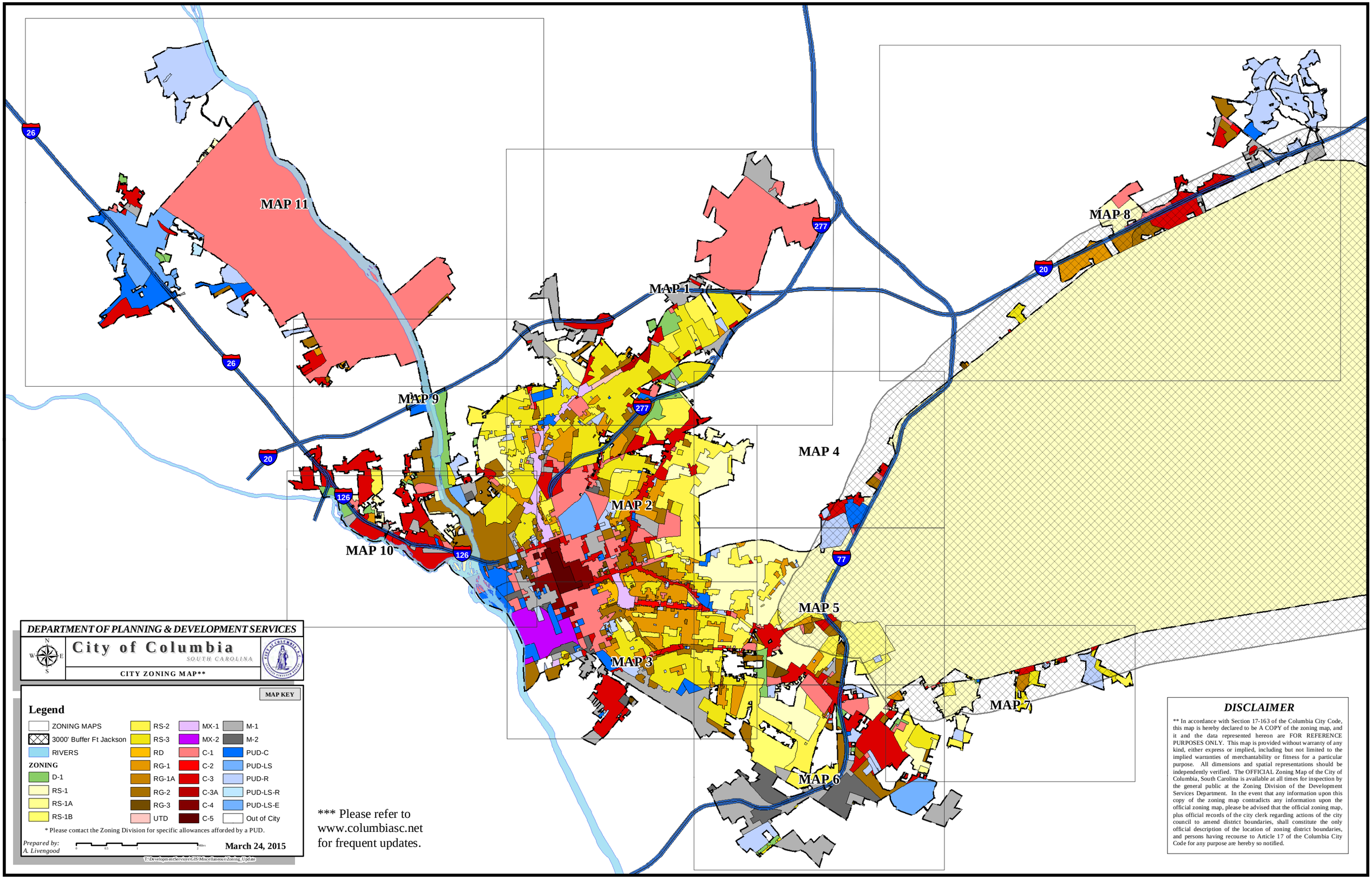
SO2 Nonattainment Areas

City of Columbia Zoning Maps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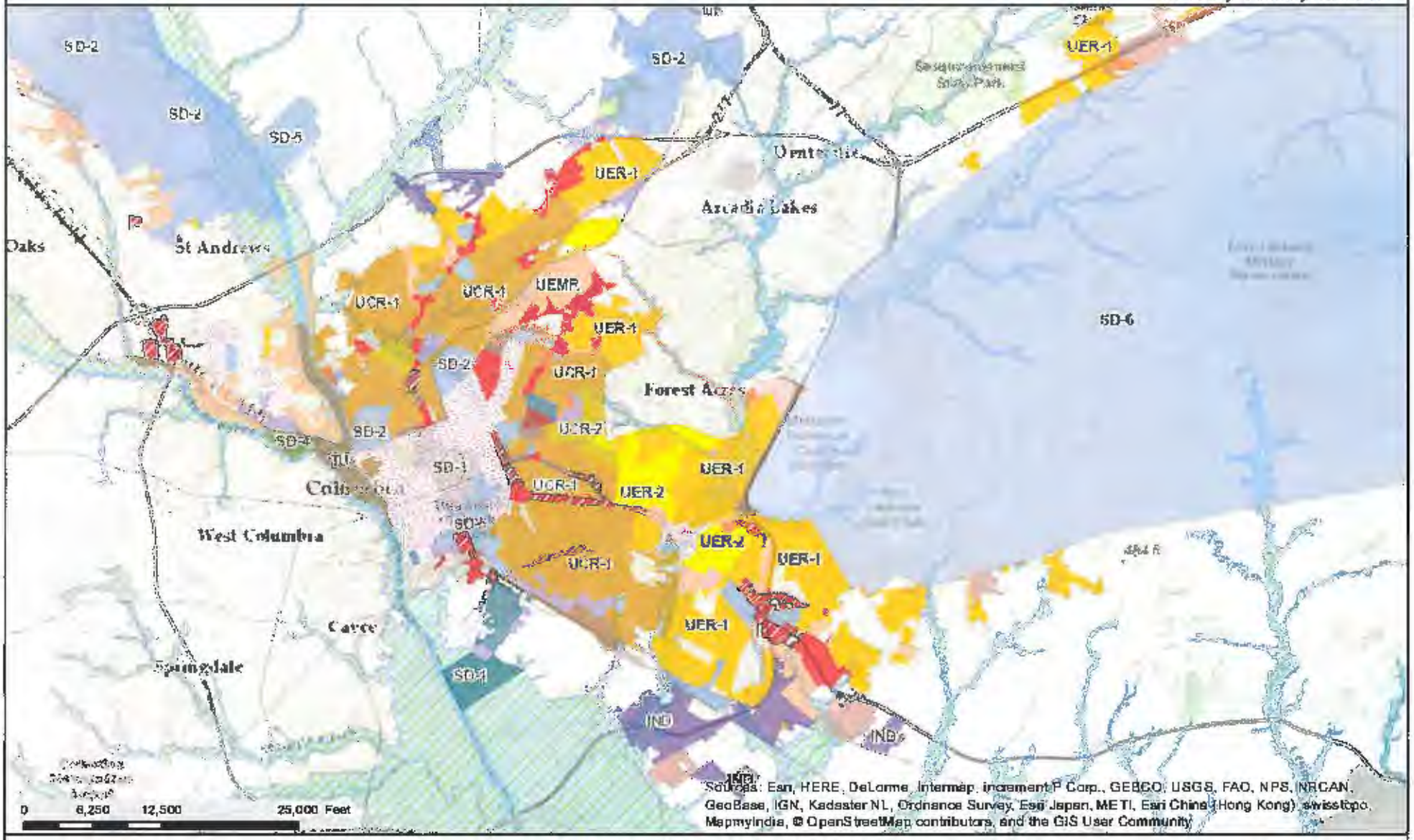
Thursday, January 12, 2017



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- UCMR-2 - Urban Core Mixed Residential-2
- UEMF - Urban Edge Multi-Family
- UCR-1 - Urban Core Residential Small Lot
- UCR-2 - Urban Core Residential Large Lot
- UER-1 - Urban Edge Residential Small Lot
- UER-2 - Urban Edge Residential Large Lot
- UCAC-1 - Urban Core Neighborhood Activity Center
- UCAC-2 - Urban Core Community Activity Center
- UEAC-1 Urban Edge Community Activity Center
- UCAC-3 Urban Core Regional Activity Center
- UEAC-2 - Urban Edge Regional Activity Center
- AC-1 - Neighborhood Activity Corridor
- AC-2 - Community Activity Corridor
- AC-3 - Regional Activity Corridor
- EC - Employment Campus
- IND - Industrial
- TU - Transportation & Utilities
- SD-1 - Sports/Amusement District
- SD-2 - Civic/Institutional Districts
- SD-3 - Central Business District
- SD-4 - Riverbanks Zoo and Garden
- SD-5 - Universities/Colleges
- SD-6 - Fort Jackson

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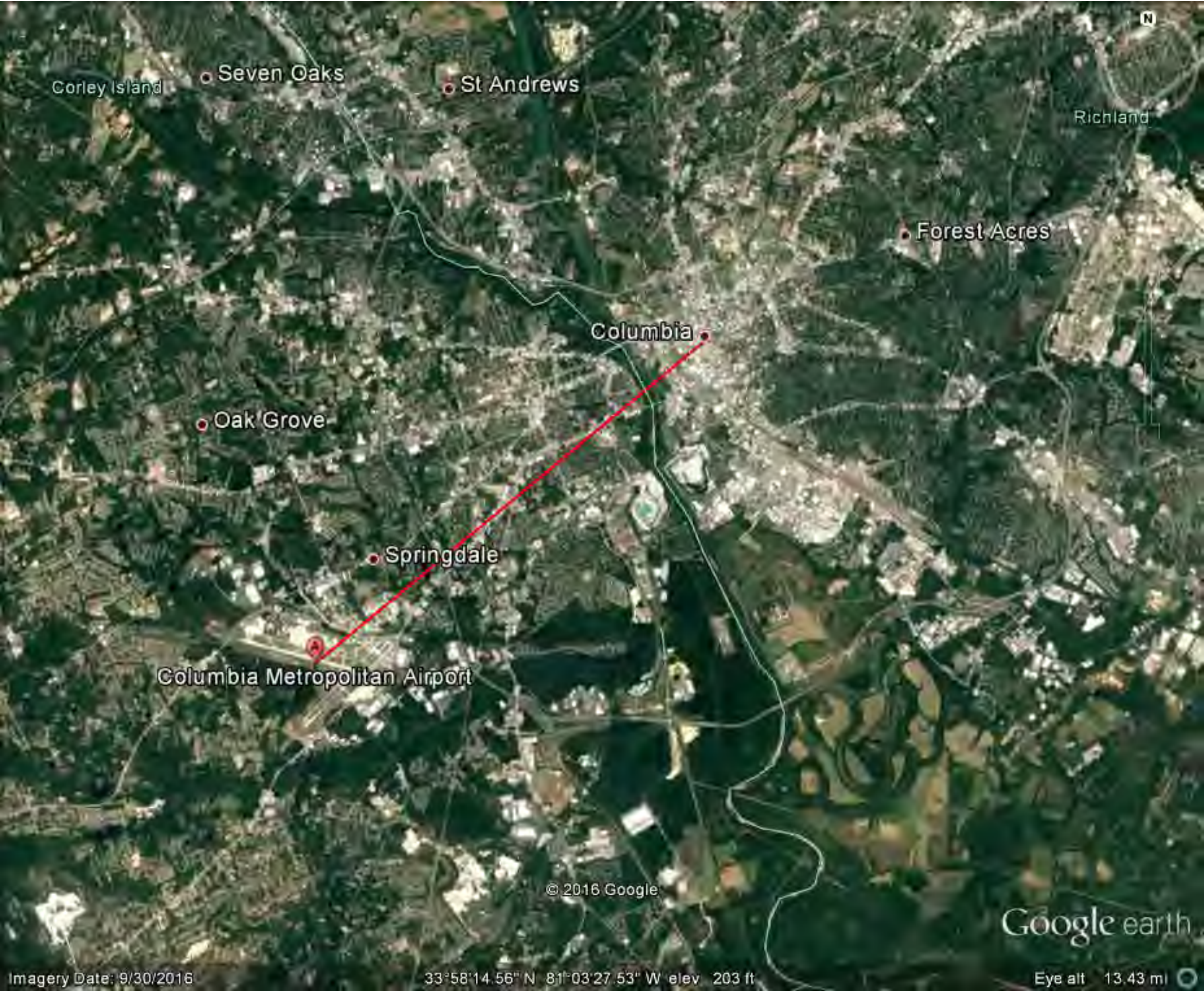
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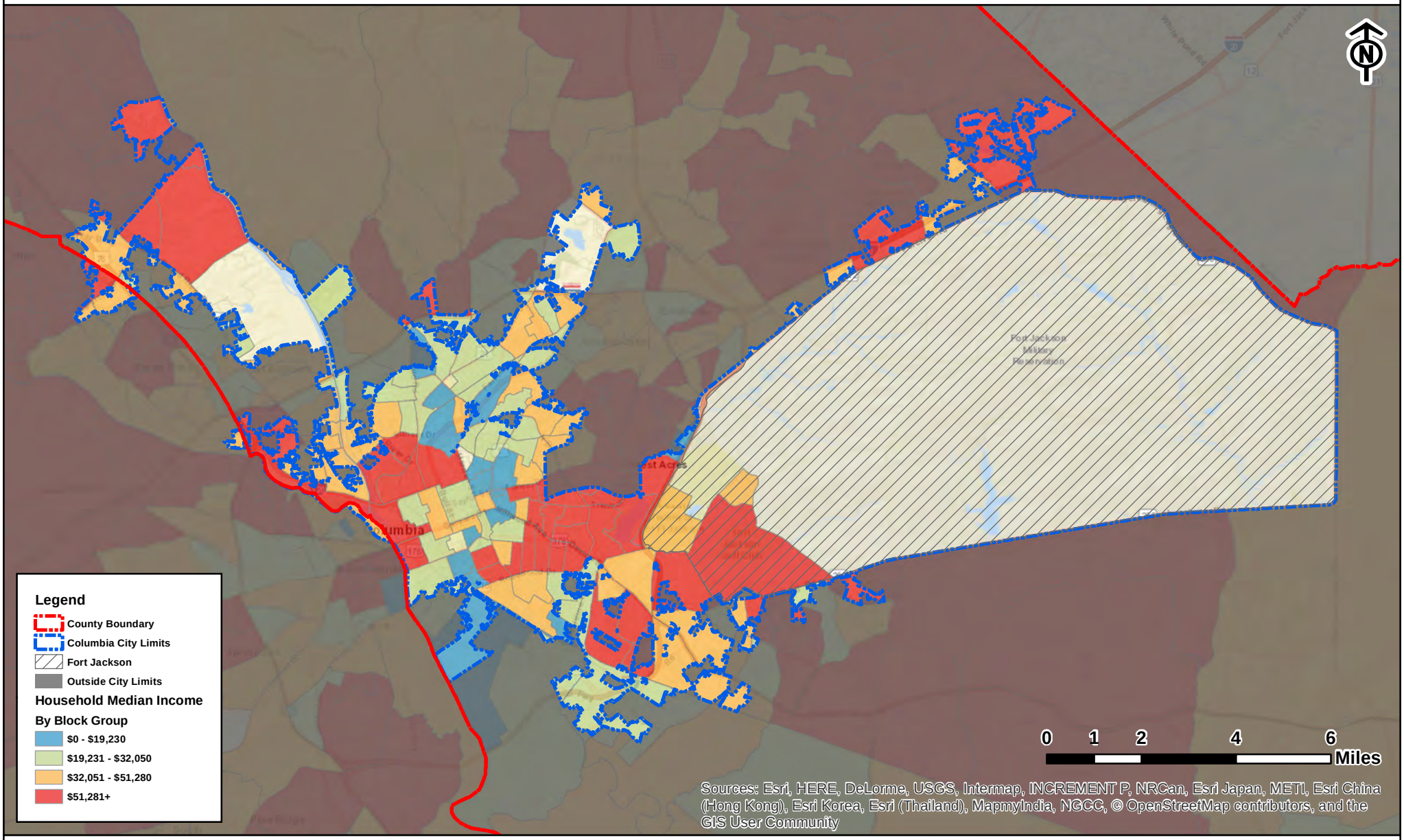
Household Median Income by Block Groups

City of Columbia, SC



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Letters to Authorities and Agency Responses

Community Development Department
1225 Lady Street, Suite #102, P. O. Box 147, Columbia, SC 29217
Office Phone: 803-545-3373

January 17, 2017

Bill Marshall
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
PO Box 157
1000 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC 29202

Re: Environmental Compliance with 36 CFR 297, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Columbia, SC

Dear Mr. Marshall:

The City of Columbia has been allocated $19,989,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recover funds to assist primarily low income households in rehabilitating residences within the Columbia city limits damaged by the Flood of October 2015. In compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA-Related Federal laws and authorities, the City is requesting your assistance in determining whether any proposed activities could affect a protected river or endangered species in this geographical area. Eligible improvements include:

- Roof repair/replacement
- Flooring repair/replacement
- Electrical repair/replacement
- Window repair/replacement
- Lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation
- ADA accessibility
- Sheetrock repair/replacement
- Building foundation repair/replacement/elevation
- Repair/replacement unsafe water and sewer supplies
- Drainage improvements

The City of Columbia is using a tiered approach to its environmental review, conducting a broad, city-wide review of scattered sites as required by a Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.35 until specific addresses can be identified. A site specific environmental review will be completed for each approved property and will assess any environmental issues not addressed in the broad review.

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The City has reviewed the current state and regional lists of rivers in the Nationwide Inventory and determined that three rivers – the Saluda River, Broad River, and Congaree River – could potentially be affected by rehabilitation activities described above. We would greatly appreciate your response to the following questions:

Could the proposed action have an adverse effect on the natural, cultural and recreational values of the Inventory river segment? If yes, please identify those effects.

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_____

Could the proposed action foreclose options to classify any portion of the Inventory segment as wild, scenic, or recreation river areas. If yes, please identify the segments affected.

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What avoidance/mitigation measures could be incorporated into the proposed action to minimize or eliminate adverse effects? _____

_____

Our rehabilitation, repair, and elevation programs will not change the current use of the property. The Buyout Program will focus only on residences in the floodplain that pose a threat to public health and safety. Please see attached program descriptions and maps of the city limits, National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and State Scenic Rivers.

Your prompt attention to this request is great appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Maya Gorman, the CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager, who can be reached at magorman@columbiasc.net, or by phone at 803-545-3383, should you need additional information.

Respectfully,

Gloria Saeed, Interim Director
Columbia Community Development

From:	Bill Marshall
To:	Gorman, Maya
Cc:	Greg Mixon; Lorianne Riggin
Subject:	RE: Environmental Compliance with 36 CFR 297, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Columbia, SC
Date:	Wednesday, February 08, 2017 7:02:02 PM
Attachments:	image001.png

Ms. Gorman,

Your email, below, requests a response to three questions about potential effects on the Saluda River, Broad River, and Congaree River which could result from rehabilitation activities at existing residential housing structures in the City of Columbia, as supported by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery funds.

We appreciate the City of Columbia seeking input from the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) on matters that may affect the State's river resources.

Your questions, followed by my responses are as follows:

1) Could the proposed action have an adverse effect on the natural, cultural and recreational values of the Inventory river segment? If yes, please identify those effects.

   Response: It appears the proposed activities will be restricted to existing developed sites and associated structures, and no changes in land use or expansion of land uses is proposed; therefore, I think there would be little or no adverse effect to the rivers. One exception is the possibility of polluted runoff (such as sediments) flowing from the sites to surface water drainage-ways and to the rivers.

2) Could the proposed action foreclose options to classify any portion of the Inventory segment as wild, scenic, or recreation river areas. If yes, please identify the segments affected.

   Response: As mentioned above, it appears the proposed activities will be restricted to existing developed sites and associated structures, and no changes in land use or expansion of land uses is proposed; therefore, I do not think the proposed action would have a negative effect on the referenced classifications of these rivers.

3) What avoidance/mitigation measures could be incorporated into the proposed action to minimize or eliminate adverse effects?

   Response: Avoid land use changes that result in the removal of forest and associated vegetative cover, particularly in streamside areas where SCDNR recommends the protection of forested buffers along both banks of all streams. The SCDNR's Scenic Rivers Program recommends protection of at least a 100-foot-wide forested buffers on streams to

filter polluted runoff and conserve water quality, provide important habitats for wildlife, and enhance aesthetics.

To further mitigate for potential polluted runoff from work sites, we recommend the application of appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as those provided by SCDHEC at their BMP Handbook website – http://www.scdhec.gov/Environment/waterquality/stormwater/BMPHandbook/

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments. If you need additional information please let me know.

Sincerely,

Bill Marshall
Coordinator, Rivers Program
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
PO Box 167, 1000 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC 29202
803-734-9096

From: Gorman, Maya [mailto:magorman@columbiasc.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 07, 2017 2:21 PM
To: Bill Marshall <MarshallB@dnr.sc.gov>
Subject: Environmental Compliance with 36 CFR 297, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Columbia, SC

Bill,

Thanks so much for returning my call. For your convenience, I am copying my letter dated January 17th into this email. As discussed, our rehabilitation, repair, and elevation programs will not change the current use of the property; all activity will take place within the city limits of Columbia; and the Buyout Program will focus on residences in the floodplain that pose a threat to public health and safety. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I greatly appreciate your assistance.

Dear Mr. Marshall:

The City of Columbia has been allocated $19,989,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery funds to assist primarily low income households in rehabilitating residences within the Columbia city limits damaged by the Flood of October 2015. In compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA-Related Federal laws and authorities, the City is requesting your assistance in determining whether any proposed activities could affect a protected river or endangered species in this geographical area. Eligible improvements

include:

- Roof repair/replacement
- Flooring repair/replacement
- Electrical repair/replacement
- Window repair/replacement
- Lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation
- ADA accessibility
- Sheetrock repair/replacement
- Building foundation repair/replacement/elevation
- Repair/replacement unsafe water and sewer supplies
- Drainage improvements

The City of Columbia is using a tiered approach to its environmental review, conducting a broad, city-wide review of scattered sites as required by a Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.35 until specific addresses can be identified. A site specific environmental review will be completed for each approved property and will assess any environmental issues not addressed in the broad review.

The City has reviewed the current state and regional lists of rivers in the Nationwide Inventory and determined that three rivers – the Saluda River, Broad River, and Congaree River – could potentially be affected by rehabilitation activities described above. We would greatly appreciate your response to the following questions:

Could the proposed action have an adverse effect on the natural, cultural and recreational values of the Inventory river segment? If yes, please identify those effects.

Could the proposed action foreclose options to classify any portion of the Inventory segment as wild, scenic, or recreation river areas. If yes, please identify the segments affected.

What avoidance/mitigation measures could be incorporated into the proposed action to minimize or eliminate adverse effects?

Respectfully,

Maya Gorman
CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager
T: 803-545-3383
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January 19, 2017

Rhonda Thompson, Chief
Bureau of Air Quality
South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Environmental Compliance with 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 61, and 93, Air Quality

Dear Ms. Thompson:

The City of Columbia has been allocated $19,989,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recover funds to assist primarily low income households in rehabilitating residences within the Columbia city limits damaged by the Flood of October 2015. In compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA-Related Federal laws and authorities, the City is requesting your assistance in determining whether proposed activities are compliant with national emissions standards for hazardous air pollutants. Eligible improvements include:

- Roof repair/replacement
- Flooring repair/replacement
- Electrical repair/replacement
- Window repair/replacement
- Lead-based paint, asbestos, and mold remediation
- ADA accessibility
- Sheetrock repair/replacement
- Building foundation repair/replacement/elevation
- Repair/replacement unsafe water and sewer supplies
- Drainage improvements
- Demolition/disposition of severely damaged residences

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completed for each approved property and will assess any environmental issues not addressed in the broad review including the presence of lead-based paint and asbestos containing materials.

The City of Columbia proposes to buy approximately 38 severely damaged residential properties within the floodway or floodplain with the intent of demolishing the structures and creating park amenities, open space, or flood storage/overflow areas. All properties will be located within the Columbia city limits, which is outside a Non-Attainment area. We would greatly appreciate your response to the following questions:

Is the project consistent with the air quality State Implementation Plan? _____

Does the proposed activity require a permit under the SIP? _____

Will the project exceed any of the *de minimis* emissions levels of all non-attainment and maintenance level pollutants? _____

Will the project exceed the screening level established by the state or air quality management district? _____

Our rehabilitation, repair, and elevation programs will not change the current use of the property. Please see attached program descriptions and maps of the city limits and counties designated nonattainment or maintenance .

Your prompt attention to this request is great appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Maya Gorman, the CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager, who can be reached at magorman@columbiasc.net, or by phone at 803-545-3383, should you need additional information.

Respectfully,

Gloria Saeed

Gloria Saeed, Interim Director
Columbia Community Development

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Healthy People. Healthy Communities.

Gloria Saeed, Interim Director
Columbia Community Development
P.O. Box 147
Columbia, SC 29217

January 25, 2017

Dear Ms. Saeed:

We have received and reviewed your January 19, 2017, Columbia Housing Initiative CDBG Disaster Recover Environmental Review Project Description. Below are the responses to the air quality questions you asked us to address:

- Based on the information provided in the project description, the project is consistent with the air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP) and no air quality permits will be needed.

- The entire state of South Carolina is attaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for all criteria pollutants; therefore, there are no applicable de minimis levels of non-attaining or maintenance level pollutants, and there are no applicable screening levels.

The project description provided specifies that a site-specific environmental review will be completed that will address the presence of asbestos containing materials. Although our asbestos regulations are not a part of the SIP, all state and federal asbestos regulations must be complied with. Asbestos permits for demolishing and renovating multifamily structures will likely be needed for this project. Please be sure to contact our Asbestos Section Manager, Marc McKenna, at 803-898-1781 or mckennmt@dhec.sc.gov, to discuss asbestos inspections, materials testing, demolition notifications, and asbestos permits and obtain compliance assistance.

If you need other information, please contact me at 803-898-4391 or thompsrb@dhec.sc.gov.

Sincerely,

Rhonda B. Thompson, P.E.
Chief, Bureau of Air Quality

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January 19, 2017

Michael Gula
Director of Operations, Planning and Facilities
Columbia Metropolitan Airport
125A Summer Lake Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170

Re: Environmental Compliance with 24 CFR 51D, Airport Hazards

Dear Mr. Gula:

The City of Columbia has been allocated $19,989,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recover funds to assist primarily low income households in rehabilitating residences within the Columbia city limits damaged by the Flood of October 2015. In compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA-Related Federal laws and authorities, the City is requesting your assistance in determining whether any proposed activities are located in a Runway Clear Zone, Clear Zone or Accident Potential Zone.

The City of Columbia has developed five housing programs to assist primarily low-to-moderate (LMI) income households suffering the most severe impact from the October 2015 flooding in the rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family and multifamily (1-4 units) storm-damaged residences. Through the homeowner Buyout Program the City will acquire and demolish severely damaged residential properties in the floodway or floodplain. These properties will dedicated in perpetuity to a public use compatible with open space, recreation, natural floodplain functions, ecosystem restoration, or wetlands management practices.

The City of Columbia is using a tiered approach to its environmental review, conducting a broad, city-wide review of scattered sites as required by a Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.35 until specific addresses can be identified. A site specific environmental review will be

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completed for each approved property and will assess any environmental issues not addressed in the broad review.

These programs will not change the current use of the property, prolong the physical or economic life of the structures, or increase the unit density or number of people at the site. All properties will be located within the city limits. We would greatly appreciate your response to the following question:

Are any properties within the Columbia city limits within 2500 feet of a civilian airport, the Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone or Accident Potential Zone? _____

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If so, please identify those areas._____

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Your prompt attention to this request is great appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Maya Gorman, the CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager, who can be reached at magorman@columbiasc.net, or by phone at 803-545-3383, should you need additional information.

Respectfully,

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These programs will not change the current use of the property, prolong the physical or economic life of the structures, or increase the unit density or number of people at the site. All properties will be located within the city limits. We would greatly appreciate your response to the following question:

Are any properties within the Columbia city limits within 2500 feet of a civilian airport, the Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone or Accident Potential Zone? No part of the City is within 2500ft of our Airport Clear zones / RPZ

If so, please identify those areas.

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Respectfully,

Gloria Saeed

Gloria Saeed, Interim Director
Columbia Community Development

From:	Gorman, Maya
To:	"Peurifoy.cynthia@epa.gov"
Cc:	Maya Gorman
Subject:	Environmental Compliance with 24 CFR 58.5(J), Environmental Justice
Date:	Tuesday, March 07, 2017 12:21:00 PM
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Ms. Peurifoy,

I am completing the Statutory Checklist required by NEPA for the City of Columbia's CDBG Disaster Recovery Housing Programs. Please review the attached letter and respond at your earliest convenience.

Seventy percent of our CDBG Disaster Recovery funding ($19,989,000) will benefit low to moderate income households, those earning $64,100 or less annually in the City of Columbia. We are seeking your assistance in determining whether an adverse environmental impact on low income or minority populations would result from any of the activities described in the attached ERR Program Descriptions.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you need additional program information to make your determination. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Regards,

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March 6, 2017

Cynthia Peurifoy
US EPA Region IV
61 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

Re: Environmental Compliance with 24 CFR 58.5(J), Environmental Justice

Dear Ms. Peurifoy:

The City of Columbia has been allocated $19,989,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recover funds to assist primarily low income households in rehabilitating residences within the city limits damaged by the Flood of October 2015. In compliance with 24 CFR §58.5 – NEPA-Related Federal laws and authorities and EO 12898, the City is requesting your assistance in determining whether an adverse environmental impact on low income or minority populations would result from any of the activities described below.

The City has developed five housing programs to assist primarily low-to-moderate income (LMI) households severely impacted by the October 2015 Flood in rehabilitating, elevating, remediating, and repairing single family (1-4 units) storm-damaged residences. Through its Buyout Program the City will acquire and demolish severely damaged residential properties in the floodway or floodplain. These properties will dedicated in perpetuity to a public use compatible with open space, recreation, natural floodplain functions, ecosystem restoration, or wetlands management practices.

Your prompt attention to this request is great appreciated. Please don't hesitate to contact me or Maya Gorman, the CDBG Disaster Recovery Manager, who can be reached at magorman@columbiasc.net, or by phone at 803-545-3383, should you need additional information.

Respectfully,

Gloria Saeed, Interim Director

Strategy to Address Site Specific Compliance Factors

STRATEGY TO ADDRESS SITE SPECIFIC COMPLIANCE FACTORS

As required by regulations defined at 24 CFR 58.15, the City of Columbia has developed the following site specific strategy for its tiered environmental review. This strategy describes the steps the City will take to address the compliance factors that could not be addressed in the Tier I environmental review. These compliance factors will be included on the site specific checklist (attached). All documentation in the Tier II environmental review will be completed before funds are committed.

Historic Preservation:

The Historic Preservation Officer will review all projects with activities included in the Second Tier 2 Allowances in the Programmatic Agreement (PA), as well as the standard Section 106 review of projects with activities that extend beyond the Programmatic Allowances. Upon determination by the Historic Preservation Officer that Section 106 applies to a given undertaking, the City of Columbia will invite all potential consulting parties -- including federal, state and local agencies, interested parties, and the public – to address compliance factors on the Statutory Checklist and to participate in the project discussion. The City will share the project description, maps and program information with the following authorities when applicable:

- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- State Historic Preservation Officer
- Lexington County Historical Society
- Historic Columbia
- Richland County Conservation Commission

If an historic property owner applies and is eligible to participate in one of the City's housing programs, the Historic Preservation Officer will assess the effects of project activities. A determination of **no adverse effect** may be made when the Responsible Entity, SHPO, and other consulting parties agree to a set of conditions that will eliminate adverse effects, which may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Physical destruction or damage to all or part of the property
- Removal of the property from its historic location
- Change of features within the property's setting
- Transfer, lease, or sale of property out of federal ownership
- Visual, atmospheric, or audible intrusions
- Foreseeable effects that may occur later in time or farther removed in distance
- Cumulative effects

If a determination is made that a project will have an **adverse effect** upon a historic property, the City of Columbia will notify the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation of its determination. The City will consult with SHPO/THPO and any interested stakeholders to identify the best way to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects. When a resolution among all parties has been agreed upon, it will be formalized in a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). Failure to reach an agreement requires that the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation notify and advise the City concerning resolution.

Floodplain and Wetland Management:
Upon determination that a specific property is located within the floodplain or wetland, the City will consult with the following agencies to solicit comments concerning compliance with floodplain management and wetland protection regulations defined in Executive Order 11988, 24 CFR 55(b)(2), and EO 11990:

- City of Columbia Floodplain Manager
- South Carolina Natural Resources Flood Mitigation Program
- US Army Corps of Engineers Columbia Regulatory Field Office
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- South Carolina Emergency Management Division

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) insurance will be obtained for all property located within the 100 year floodplain (Special Flood Hazard Areas in Zones A, AE, AH, AO, AR, A99, V and VE). Flood insurance must be taken for the life of a loan or the useful life of an improvement funded by a grant, regardless of transfer of ownership. For grants, the amount of flood insurance coverage must equal at a minimum the maximum limit of coverage available with respect to the type of building, or the project costs, whichever is less. *The project cost is the total cost for acquiring, constructing, repairing or improving the building.*

If the project is located within a 100 year floodplain (Zone A) or Coastal Hazard Zone (Zone V) or involves a critical action within a 500 year floodplain (Zone B), the City will complete the 8 step decision-making process to comply with 24 CFR Part 55, HUD's Floodplain Management and Wetland Protection regulations. The City of Columbia is located outside of the coastal hazard area. If the project involves major rehabilitation within a designated wetland, the City will comply with the decision-making process defined in 24 CFR 55.20 and apply for a Section 404 general permit. The Statutory Checklist will include mitigation strategies and Section 404 (of the Clean Water Act) permit requirements.

8-Step Decision Making Process

Upon determination that a property eligible to participate in one of the City's housing rehabilitation programs is located within the floodplain, the City will publish a public notice and invite responsible agencies to participate in the environmental review process. Relying on input

from public and agency comments, the City will identify and evaluate alternatives to locating the activity in a 100 year floodplain or wetland. Floodplain evaluations will focus on the impacts to lives and property and on water, agricultural, forestry and cultural resources. Wetland evaluations will consider factors relevant to the project's effect on the survival and quality of the wetland.

Where practicable, the City will modify the proposed action to minimize any adverse effects through the use of permeable surfaces, bioswales, stormwater capture and reuse, flood proofing, and elevating structures, among others. The modified activity and alternatives will be reevaluated and, if the reevaluation results in a determination of *No Practicable Alternative*, the City will publish a final notice describing the reasons the project must be located in the floodplain, a list of the alternatives considered, and any mitigation measures that will minimize adverse impacts and restore and preserve natural and beneficial functions and values. After the public comment period is complete, the approved project may be implemented.

Air Quality

The City of Columbia is not located in a Non-Attainment area. If any properties eligible to participate in one of the housing rehabilitation or buyout programs are likely to contain asbestos materials, the City of Columbia will complete the site-specific Statutory Checklist to ensure compliance with 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 61 and 93 and the Air Quality State Implementation Plan. The City will solicit information addressing any adverse effects on air quality from the following authorities:

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4
- South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
- Clean Air Midlands

Noise Control and Abatement

If any residences eligible to participate in one of Columbia's CDBG Disaster Recovery Programs are located within 15 miles of a civilian or military airfield with more than 9,000 carrier operations annually; 1000 feet of a major highway or busy road; or within 3000 feet of a railroad, the City of Columbia will complete a noise calculation assessment. HUD's interior noise goal is 45 decibels (DNL) or lower; the exterior noise goal is 55 decibels (DNL) or lower, although 65 DNL is considered acceptable. According to the Federal Aviation Administration website on Airport Noise and Land Use Information, the noise exposure maps submitted by Columbia Metropolitan Airport are in compliance with applicable regulations.

Explosive and Flammable Operations

If substantial rehabilitation increases the occupancy or makes an uninhabitable property habitable at any project site, the City of Columbia will assess the presence or absence of Above Ground Storage Tanks (AST) and other explosive facilities. If ASTs or explosive facilities are located within one mile of the project site, the City will conduct an Acceptable Separation Distance (ASD) assessment. The ASD results and, if necessary, mitigation actions required will be documented in the site specific review.

Contamination and Toxic Substances

All activities will be reviewed for compliance with the Toxic and Hazardous Chemical requirements. The City of Columbia will complete the Statutory Checklist to assess compliance with 24 CFR 58.5 (i)(2). A determination of the presence of toxic and hazardous chemicals will be made using EnviroMapper to determine if the property:

- Is listed on an EPA Superfund National Priorities or CERCLA or equivalent state list;
- Is located within 3000 feet of a toxic or solid waste landfill;
- Has an underground storage tank known or suspected to be contaminated by toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.

The City of Columbia will perform a government records search to determine whether there has been a release or threat of release to the subject property giving particular attention to any project site on or within one mile of an area that contains or may have contained hazardous waste such as dumps, landfills and industrial sites. The City will solicit information addressing the presence and possible effects of contamination or toxic substances from the following authorities, among others:

- South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Environmental Public Health Tracking Program
- EPA Region 4 Toxic Release Inventory and Superfund Database

Expected Mitigation Measures

- The City will implement Best Management Practices to identify and prevent storm water pollution and effectively handle storm water runoff from construction activities.
- Where practicable, the City will modify any proposed action to minimize adverse effects on wetlands through the use of permeable surfaces, bioswales, storm water capture and reuse, flood-proofing, and elevating structures above Base Flood Elevation (BFE), among others.
- All properties in the floodplain or floodway must obtain flood insurance, to be maintained in perpetuity.
- Flood-proofing adjustments and additions include:
  - Installing watertight shields for doors and windows.
  - Reinforcing walls to withstand floodwater pressures and impact forces generated by floating debris.

- Using membranes and other sealants to reduce seepage of floodwater through walls.
- Installing drainage collection systems and sump pumps to control interior water levels, collect seepage, and reduce hydrostatic pressure on the slab and walls.
- Installing check valves to prevent the entrance of floodwater or sewage flows through utilities.
- Anchoring the building to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement.

- Toxic substances will be removed, stabilized or encapsulated and a remediation plan developed.

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Site Specific Checklist
Tier II
Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.5

COLUMBIA CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO §58.5
SITE SPECIFIC CHECKLIST

1. **§58.5(a) Historical Properties [36 CFR Part 800]**
   a. Does the project include the type of activity that potentially would affect historic properties such as acquisition, demolition, disposition, ground disturbance, new construction or rehabilitation?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   If Yes, continue. **If No**, the project is not the type of activity that has the potential to affect historic properties. Compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

   b. Do the RE and State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) have a Programmatic Agreement (PA) that does not require consultation for this type of activity?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   If Yes, document compliance with the PA. Compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, continue.

   c. Is the project located within or directly adjacent to a historic district?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   d. Is the structure or surrounding structures listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (e.g. greater than 45 years old)?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   e. Were any properties of historical, architectural, religious or cultural significance identified in the project's Area of Potential Effect (APE)?
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   If Yes to any of the questions above, continue. **If No to all of the questions above**, the project will not affect historic properties. A concurrence from the SHPO that "no historic properties will be affected" is required. Compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

   f. Have you consulted with the SHPO to determine whether the project will have "No Adverse Effect on Historic Properties?"
   ☐ Yes ☐ No

   If Yes, continue. **If No**, consultation with the SHPO is required.

g. Does the SHPO concurrence letter received for this project require mitigation or have conditions?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

h. Have the SHPO and RE agreed on required mitigation or conditions?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, include mitigation requirements and/or conditions from the SHPO in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No,** continue with consultation until resolved.

Historic properties of religious and cultural significance to tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations

i. Does the project include the types of activities such as those listed below that have the potential to affect historic properties of religious and cultural significance to tribes?

- Ground disturbance (digging);
- New construction in undeveloped natural areas;
- Incongruent visual changes – impairment of the vista or viewshed from an observation point in the natural landscape;
- Incongruent audible changes – increase in noise levels above an acceptable standard in areas known for their quiet, contemplative experience;
- Incongruent atmospheric changes – introduction of lights that create skyglow in an area with a dark night sky;
- Work on a building with significant tribal association;
- Transfer, lease or sale of a historic property of religious and cultural significance.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No**, tribal consultation is not required.

j. Does HUD's Tribal Directory Assessment Tool indicate that tribes have an interest in the location where the project is sited? (http://egis.hud.gov/tdat/Tribal.aspx)

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, contact federally recognized tribe(s) and invite consultation. Continue. **If No**, document the result in the ERR. Tribal consultation is not required.

k. Did the tribe(s) respond that they want to be a consulting party?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No,** (no response within 30 days or responded that they do not wish to consult), document response or lack of response in ERR. Further consultation is not required.

l. After consulting with the tribe(s) and discussing the project, were any properties of religious or cultural significance to the tribe(s) identified in the project's APE?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes,** continue. If **No**, notify tribe(s) and other consulting parties of your finding of "No Historic Properties Affected." Tribe(s) has 30 days to object to a finding.

m. After consulting with the tribe(s), will the project have an adverse effect on properties of religious or cultural significance to the tribe(s)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, consult with tribe(s) and other consulting parties to resolve adverse effects, including considering alternatives and mitigation measures that would avoid or minimize adverse effects. **If No,** notify tribe(s) and other consulting parties of your finding of "No Adverse Effects." Tribe(s) has 30 days to object to a finding.

n. Were any objections to a finding received from a consulting tribe?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue with consultation until resolved. **If No,** consultation is complete.

Comments:

2. §58.5(b) (1) Floodplain Management [24 CFR Part 55]

a. Does the project involve minor repairs or improvements on one to four family properties that do not meet the threshold for "substantial improvement" of §55.2(b)(8), i.e., the cost does not equal or exceed 50% of the market value of the structure before improvement or repair started, before damage occurred.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, continue.

b. Is the project located within (or have an impact on) a 100 year floodplain (Zone A) or Coastal High Hazard (Zone V) identified by FEMA maps?

☐ Yes ☐ No

c. Does the project involve a "critical action," per §55.2(b) (2) (i), located within a 500 year floodplain (Zone B) identified by FEMA maps?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to (b) or (c), follow HUD's Floodplain Management Regulations 8-Step decision-making process of §55.20 to comply with 24 CFR Part 55. The 8-Step decision-making process must show that there are no practicable alternatives to locating the project in the floodplain, and if there are no alternatives, define measures to mitigate impacts to floodplains and location of the project in the floodplain. Completion of the 8-Step decision-making process must be completed before the completion of an EA per §55.10(a). See Attachment 2 for an example of the 8-Step decision-making process. The 8-step decision-making process must be included in the ERR and summarized in Part 55 and Part 58 public notices, as well as NOI/RROF and FONSI notices. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

If No to (b) and (c), compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

d. Does the project involve a critical action in a coastal high hazard area or a floodway?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If, **Yes,** HUD assistance may not be used for this project.

e. Does the project involve a non-critical action which is not a functionally dependent use that is located in a floodway?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes,** HUD assistance may not be used for this project

f. Does the project involve a non-critical action which is not a functionally dependent use that is located in a coastal high hazard area?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, project is allowed ***only*** if it is designed for a location in a coastal high hazard area ***and*** is processed under Section 55.20. Design requirements must be noted in Statutory Checklist and 8-Step decision-making process.

Comments:

3. §58.5(b) (2) Wetlands Protection (E.O. 11990)

a. Does the project involve new construction, land use conversion, major rehabilitation, or substantial improvements?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes,** continue. If **No,** compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

b. Is the project within or adjacent to or will it affect wetlands, marshes, wet meadows, mud flats or natural ponds per field observation and National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) maps issued by the US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) or, if not available, National Soil Surveys by National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

c. Are there drainage ways, streams, rivers, or coastlines on or near the site?

☐ Yes ☐ No

d. Are there ponds, marshes, bogs, swamps or other wetlands on or near the site?

☐ Yes ☐ No

e. Does the project involve new construction and/or filling located within a wetland designated on a USFWS National Wetlands Inventory map?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes** to any of b – e above, comply with wetlands decision-making process of 24 CFR §55.20. (Use proposed Part 55 published in the Federal Register January 2012 for wetland procedures). Continue. If **No** to all of b - e above, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

f. Will the project require a permit from the Corps under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or will USFWS require wetland mitigation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, ensure this is noted in Part 55 and Part 58 public notices. Include all mitigation measures and permit requirements in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist. Compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

Comments:

4. §58.5(g) Air Quality [40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 61 and 93]

a) Does the project involve demolition or renovation of buildings likely to contain asbestos containing materials?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, ensure the project is in compliance with EPA's Asbestos regulations found at 40 CFR Part 61 (NESHAP) and all State and local regulations. Continue below. **If No,** continue.

b) Does the project require and environmental assessment or environmental impact statement?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes,** continue. If **No**, compliance with CAA State Implementation Plan factor is complete. Mark Box A on the Statutory checklist.

c) Does the project involve five or more dwelling units, acquisition of undeveloped land, a change of land use, demolition, major rehabilitation, or new construction?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, continue. If **No,** compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

d) Is the project located in a Non-Attainment area?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, continue. If **No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

e) Is the project consistent with the air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, obtain letter of consistency showing that the project is consistent with the SIP. Compliance is complete. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, continue.

f) Has EPA determined that the proposed activity is one that requires a permit under the SIP?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No,** compliance is complete. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

g) Will project exceed any of the de minimis emissions levels of all non-attainment and maintenance level pollutants or exceed the screening level established by the state or air quality management district?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. Attach all documents used to make your determination (See Conformity determination thresholds at 40 CFR 93.153(b) Include engineering/construction assessments of emissions during construction and operating phases).

h) Can project be brought into compliance through mitigation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, list mitigation measures required to achieve conformance with SIP in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist. Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, Federal assistance may not be used at this location.

Comments:

5. §58.5(i) (1) Noise Abatement and Control [24 CFR Part 51B]

a. Does the project involve a noise sensitive use such as a residential structure, school, hospital, nursing home, library, etc.?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes**, continue. If **No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

b. Is the project located within:

- 15 miles of a civilian or military airfield with more than 9,000 carrier operations annually;
  ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 1000 feet of a major highway or busy road;
  ☐ Yes ☐ No
- within 3000 feet of a railroad.
  ☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes** to any the above, complete a noise calculation assessment. Use adopted DNL contours if the noise source is an airport. Continue. **If No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

c. Do noise calculations or airport noise contour maps indicate noise levels above 65dB (outside)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes,** continue. If **No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

d. Do noise calculations or airport noise contour maps indicate noise levels above 75dB (outside)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **No,** for projects in the normally unacceptable zone (65dB – 75dB), noise attenuation measures are strongly encouraged for rehabilitation and required for new construction to reduce noise levels to below 65dB (outside). Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. List all attenuation measures in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist.

If **Yes,** HUD assistance for the construction of new noise-sensitive uses is generally prohibited for projects with unacceptable noise exposure (>75dB). Noise attenuation measures are strongly encouraged for rehabilitation projects with unacceptable noise exposure to reduce noise levels to below 65dB (outside). Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. List all attenuation measures in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist.

6. §58.5(i) (1) Explosive and Flammable Operations [24 CFR 51C]

e. Does the project involve development, construction, rehabilitation, modernization or land use conversion of a property intended for residential, institutional, recreational, commercial, or industrial use?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, continue. **If No**, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

f. Was a field observation that documents above ground storage tanks within line of site of the project performed by a qualified professional?

☐ Yes ☐ No

g. Is the project site within one (1) mile of current or planned stationary aboveground storage tanks of more than 100 gallon capacity, containing common liquid industrial fuels OR of any capacity, containing hazardous liquids or gases, <u>that are not liquid</u> industrial fuels?

☐ Yes ☐ No

h. Are industrial facilities handling explosive or fire-prone materials such as liquid propane, gasoline or other storage tanks adjacent to or visible from the project site?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **Yes** to any of b – d above, use HUD Hazards Guide to calculate an Acceptable Separation Distance to comply with 24 CFR Part 51, Subpart C. Continue. If **No** to all of b – d above, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority.

i. Is the project located at an Acceptable Separation Distance from any above-ground explosive or flammable fuels or chemicals containers as calculated above?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, compliance with this section is complete. Mark box "A" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. **If No**, continue.

j. Can mitigation measures, such as construction of a barrier of adequate size and strength, reduce the blast overpressure or thermal radiation hazard to protect the project?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, Mark box "B" on the Statutory Checklist for this authority. List all mitigation measures in the mitigation section of the Statutory Checklist. **If No**, HUD assistance cannot be used for this project.

Comments:

7. §58.5(i) (2) Contamination and Toxic Substances

a. Is the property located within the search distances of any type of environmental contamination sources?

Standard Environmental Record Sources	ASTM 1527-13 Recommended Minimum Search Distance (mi)	Yes	No
Federal Delisted NPL Site List	0.5	☐	☐
Federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Information System (CERCLIS) List	0.5	☐	☐
Federal CERCLIS No Further Remedial Action Planned (NFRAP) Site List	0.5	☐	☐
Federal RCRA Non-CORRACTS Treatment, Storage and Disposal (TSD) Facilities List	0.5	☐	☐
State- and Tribal-Equivalent CERCLIS	0.5	☐	☐
State and Tribal Landfill and/or Solid Waste Disposal Site Lists	0.5	☐	☐
State and Tribal Leaking Storage Tank Lists	0.5	☐	☐
State and Tribal Voluntary Cleanup Sites	0.5	☐	☐
State and Trial Brownfield Sites	0.5	☐	☐
Federal National Priorities List (NPL)	1	☐	☐
Federal RCRA Correction Action (CORRACTS) Facilities List	1	☐	☐
State- and Tribal-Equivalent NPL	1	☐	☐
Federal Institutional Control/Engineering Control Registries	Property Only	☐	☐
State and Tribal Institutional Control/Engineering Control Registries	Property Only	☐	☐
Federal Emergency Response and Notification System (ERNS) List	Property Only	☐	☐
Federal RCRA Generators List	Property/Adjoining Properties	☐	☐
State and Tribal Registered Storage Tank Lists	Property/Adjoining Properties	☐	☐

If the project is located within any of the minimum search distances above, then the RE must further evaluate to determine if there has been a release or there is a threat of release to the subject property. Attach supporting documentation to the environmental review to support any conclusion that the site of concern is not a threat.

If a release or threat of release cannot be ruled out, then services of a qualified environmental professional is necessary to further evaluate potential for site contamination. Recommend an ASTM 1527-13 Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I).

Prior Uses of the Property

b. Has the subject property, adjacent property, or adjoining property ever been used for any of the following types of uses?

	Yes	**No**		**Yes**	**No**
Gas Station	☐	☐	Vehicle Repair Shop	☐	☐
Car Dealership	☐	☐	Auto Garage	☐	☐
Depot	☐	☐	Commercial Printing Facility	☐	☐
Industrial or commercial warehouses	☐	☐	Dry Cleaners	☐	☐
Photo Developing Lab	☐	☐	Hospital	☐	☐
Junkyard or landfill	☐	☐	Agricultural/Farming Operations	☐	☐
Tannery	☐	☐	Livestock Operations	☐	☐

If the evaluation of previous uses results in a yes answer to any of the above, the services of a qualified environmental professional is necessary to rule out site contamination. An ASTM 1527-13 Phase I is recommended.

If the evaluation of previous uses does not identify previous uses of concern, attach supporting documentation for the conclusion to the environmental review.

Field Site Visit

c. Did a visual inspection of the site show the following?

	Yes	No
Distressed vegetation	☐	☐
Vent or Fill Pipes	☐	☐
Storage Oil Tanks or Questionable Containers	☐	☐
Pits, Ponds or Lagoons	☐	☐
Stained Soil or Pavement (other than water stains)	☐	☐
Pungent, Foul or Noxious Odors	☐	☐
Dumped Material or Soil, Mounds of Dirt, Rubble, Fill, etc.	☐	☐

d. Does the project have an underground storage tank other than a residential fuel tank, or known or suspected to be contaminated by toxic chemicals or radioactive materials?

☐ Yes ☐ No

e. Is the project site near an industry or commercial facility disposing of chemicals or hazardous wastes?

☐ Yes ☐ No

f. Could a nearby source of toxic, hazardous or radioactive substances affect the health and safety of project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property?

☐ Yes or ☐ No

I**f the site visit identifies a "Yes" answer to any of the above,** a qualified environmental professional must undertake investigations necessary to ensure that the project is free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases, and radioactive substances such that there is no hazard which could affect the health and safety of occupants or conflict with the intended utilization of the property. Continue.

Results of ASTM Site Contamination Reviews

g. Was an ASTM Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) report completed for this project? (Strongly recommend an Phase I ESA for land acquisition, new construction, reconstruction or substantial rehabilitation).

☐ Yes ☐ No

h. Did a Phase I, or equivalent evaluation, identify the potential for site contamination? [The RE must independently evaluate the Phase I and not rely entirely on the conclusions of whether or not there is a Recognized Environmental Condition (REC). Phase I's do not always appropriately identify RECs.]

☐ Yes ☐ No

i. If there is the potential for site contamination, was an ASTM Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Completed that documented contamination?

☐ Yes or ☐ No

❖ Did results of the Phase I or Phase II identify the need to mitigate the environmental condition by removing, stabilizing or encapsulating the toxic substances in accordance with the requirements of the appropriate Federal, state or local oversight agency?

☐ Yes ☐ No

❖ If the project site requires remediation, does the RE have the following documentation?

	Yes	No
Remediation Plan	☐	☐
Regulatory Oversight Agency Approval of the Remediation Plan	☐	☐
Firm Cost Estimate to Implement the Remediation Plan	☐	☐
A Secured Source of Funding for Site Remediation	☐	☐
A project condition that the project construction or rehabilitation cannot proceed until the RE received a No Further Action (NFA) Required or Site Closure Letter from the Regulatory Oversight Agency	☐	☐
A project condition for Deed Restrictions related to any continuing obligations associated with the remediation plan or NFA or Site Closure Letters	☐	☐

If Yes, then, compliance is complete. Attach supporting documentation to the environmental review. Ensure that all mitigation measures are identified in the environmental review and that there is a mechanism for conveying requirements in agreements and awards. Mark Box B on the Statutory Checklist for this Authority. Attach all supporting documentation. **If No**, HUD cannot provide assistance for the project at this site.

- If the site requires remediation, and the property owner intends to complete the remediation prior to transferring the property to the HUD recipient, can the RE provide documentation of the following?

	Yes	No
Remediation Plan	☐	☐
Regulatory Oversight Agency Approval of the Remediation Plan	☐	☐
Purchase contract and closing document requirements for receipt of a No Further Action Required or Site Closure Letter from the Regulatory Oversight Agency prior to closing.	☐	☐
Deed restrictions for any continuing obligations associated with the remediation plan or NFA or Site Closure Letters	☐	☐

If Yes, then, compliance is complete. Attach supporting documentation to the environmental review. Ensure that all mitigation measures are identified in the environmental review and that there is a mechanism for conveying requirements in agreements and awards. Mark Box B on the Statutory Checklist for this Authority. Attach all supporting documentation.

If No, HUD cannot provide assistance for the project at this site.

Comments:

Categorical Exclusion

Not Subject to 58.5

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Categorical Exclusion Not subject to §58.5 Determination for Activities Listed at 24 CFR §58.35(b)

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia Project Name: Small Business Disaster Recovery Program

Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related):
Environmental clearance is requested for the provision of forgivable loans to small businesses located in the City's most heavily damaged areas. Funding in the amount of $200,000 for this economic development activity may be used for working capital, inventory, furnishings and equipment, remediation, and clean up and repair. Total program funding in the amount of $20,989,000, which includes $1 million in CDBG program income funds, will finance administration, planning and project delivery ; rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family and multi-family (1-4 units) residences; and financial assistance to small businesses severely damaged by the SC Flood of 2015.

Location: City of Columbia

Funding Source: CDBG HOME ESG HOPWA EDI Capital Fund Operating Subsidy Hope VI
Other: CDBG Disaster Recovery
Estimated Funding Amount: $200,000 Grant Number: B-16-MH-45-0001

I have reviewed and determined that the abovementioned project is a Categorically Excluded activity (not subject to §58.5) per 24 CFR §58.35(b) as follows:

☐	58.35(b).1. Tenant-based rental assistance;
☐	58.35(b) 2. Supportive services including, but not limited to, health care, housing services, permanent housing placement, day care, nutritional services, short-term payments for rent/mortgage/utility costs, and assistance in gaining access to local, State, and Federal government benefits and services;
☐	58.35(b) 3. Operating costs including maintenance, security, operation, utilities, furnishings, equipment, supplies, staff training and recruitment and other incidental costs;
☒	58.35(b) 4. Economic development activities, including but not limited to, equipment purchase, inventory financing, interest subsidy, operating expenses and similar costs not associated with construction or expansion of existing operations;
☐	58.35(b) 5. Activities to assist homebuyers to purchase existing dwelling units or dwelling units under construction, including closing costs and down payment assistance, interest buy-downs, and similar activities that result in the transfer of title.
☐	58.35(b). 6. Affordable housing pre-development costs including legal, consulting, developer and other costs related to obtaining site options, project financing, administrative costs and fees for loan commitments, zoning approvals, and other related activities which do not have a physical impact.

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☐	58.35(b). 7. Approval of supplemental assistance (including insurance or guarantee) to a project previously approved under this part, if the approval is made by the same responsible entity that conducted the environmental review on the original project and re-evaluation of the environmental findings is not required under §58.47.

The responsible entity must also complete and attach the **§58.6 Compliance Checklist.** By signing below the Responsible Entity officially determines in writing that each activity or project is Categorically Excluded (not subject to §58.5) and meets the conditions specified for such exclusion under section 24 CFR §58.35(b). This document must be maintained in the ERR.

AUTHORIZED RESPONSIBLE ENTITY OFFICIAL:

Teresa Wilson — 2/20/2017

Authorized Responsible Entity Signature — Date

Teresa Wilson — City Manager, City of Columbia, SC

Authorized Responsible Entity Name (printed) — Title (printed)

Compliance Documentation Checklist
24 CFR 58.6

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia____ Project Name: Small Business Disaster Recovery Program___
Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related):
Environmental clearance is requested for the provision of forgiveable loans to small businesses located in the City's most heavily damaged areas. Funding in the amount of $200,000 for this economic development activity may be used for working capital, inventory, furnishings and equipment, remediation and clean up and repair. Total program allocation of $20,989,000 includes $1 million in CDBG Program Income funds._____

Level of Environmental Review Determination: Select One of the following:

☐(1) Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34, or
☒(2) Categorically Excluded not subject to statutes per §58.35(b), or
☐(3) Categorically Excluded subject to statutes per §58.35(a), or
☐(4) Environmental Assessment per §58.36, or
☐(5) EIS per 40 CFR 1500

STATUTES and REGULATIONS listed at 24 CFR 58.6

FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT

1. Does the project involve acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of structures located in a FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard?

☒No; Cite Source Document: This is a financial assistance only project._____

☐Yes; Source Document: _____

2. Is the community participating in the National Insurance Program (or has less than one year passed since FEMA notification of Special Flood Hazards)?

☒Yes (Flood Insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program must be obtained and maintained for the economic life of the project, in the amount of the total project cost. A copy of the flood insurance policy declaration must be kept on file). **(Appendix I)**

☐No **(Federal assistance may not be used in the Special Flood Hazards Area).**

COASTAL BARRIERS RESOURCES ACT

1. Is the project located in a coastal barrier resource area?

☒ No; Cite Source Documentation: The City of Columbia is not located within a coastal barrier resource area._ (This element is completed).

☐ Yes - **Federal assistance may not be used in such an area.**

AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEAR ZONES AND CLEAR ZONES DISCLOSURES

1. Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of existing property within a Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone or a Military Installation's Clear Zone?

☒ No; Source Documentation: No part of the city is within 2500 feet of the CAE Airport Clear Zone or Runway Clear Zone._____
Project complies with 24 CFR 51.303(a)(3).

☐ Yes; **Disclosure statement must be provided** to buyer and a copy of the signed disclosure must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record **(Appendix II)**

Prepared by (name and title, please print): Gloria Saeed, Interim Director, Community Development, _____

Signature: Gloria Saeed, Director Date: 3/2/17

Exemption

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Exemption Determination for Activities Listed at 24 CFR §58.34

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia, South Carolina
Project Name: Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program

Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related): Exemption is requested for administration, planning, and project delivery activities including program design and implementation; translation, environmental and title/legal services; and technical assistance and training totaling $1,998,900. Total program funding of $20,989,000, which includes $1 million in CDBG program income funds, will finance rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family and multi-family (1-4 units) residences and financial assistance to small businesses severely damaged by the South Carolina Flood of 2015.

Location: City limits, Columbia, South Carolina

Funding Source: CDBG HOME ESG HOPWA EDI Capital Fund Operating Subsidy Hope VI
Other: CDBG Disaster Recovery
Estimated Funding Amount: $1,998,900 Grant Number: B-16-MH-45-0001

I have reviewed and determined that the abovementioned project is Exempt per 24 CFR §58.34 as follows:

☒	58.34(a) (1). Environmental & other studies, resource identification & the development of plans & strategies;
☒	58.34(a) (2) Information and financial services;
☒	58.34(a) (3) Administrative and management activities;
☐	58.34(a) (4) Public services that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes, including but not limited to services concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, counseling, energy conservation and welfare or recreational needs;
☐	58.34(a) (5) Inspections and testing of properties for hazards or defects;
☐	58.34(a) (6) Purchase of insurance;
☐	58.34(a) (7) Purchase of tools;
☐	58.34(a) (8) Engineering or design costs;
☒	58.34(a) (9) Technical assistance and training;
☐	58.34(a) (10) Assistance for temporary or permanent improvements that do not alter environmental conditions and are limited to protection, repair, or restoration activities necessary only to control or arrest the effects from disasters or imminent threats to public safety including those resulting from physical deterioration;
☐	58.34(a) (11) Payment of principal and interest on loans made or obligations guaranteed by HUD;
☐	58.34(a) (12) Any of the categorical exclusions listed in §58.35(a) provided that there are no circumstances that require compliance with any other Federal laws and authorities cited in §58.5.

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The responsible entity must also complete and attach the **58.6 Compliance Checklist**. By signing below the Responsible Entity officially determines in writing that all activities covered by this determination are Exempt and meets the conditions specified for such exemption under section 24 CFR §58.34. This document must be maintained in the ERR.

AUTHORIZED RESPONSIBLE ENTITY OFFICIAL:

Teresa Wilson	2/20/2017
Authorized Responsible Entity Signature	Date
Teresa Wilson	City Manager
Authorized Responsible Entity Name (printed)	Title (printed)

Compliance Documentation Checklist
24 CFR 58.6

Grant Recipient: City of Columbia____ Project Name: Columbia Housing Initiative_____
Project Description (Include all actions which are either geographically or functionally related):
Exemption is requested for administration, planning, and project delivery activities including program design and implementation; translation, environmental and title/legal services; and technical assistance and training totaling $1,998,900. Total program allocation of $20,989,000, which includes $1 million in CDBG program income funds, will fund rehabilitation, elevation, remediation, and repair of single family and multi-family (1-4 units) residences and financial assistance to small businesses severely damaged by the SC Flood of 2015.____

Level of Environmental Review Determination: Select One of the following:

☒(1) Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34, or
☐(2) Categorically Excluded not subject to statutes per §58.35(b), or
☐(3) Categorically Excluded subject to statutes per §58.35(a), or
☐(4) Environmental Assessment per §58.36, or
☐(5) EIS per 40 CFR 1500

STATUTES and REGULATIONS listed at 24 CFR 58.6

FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT

1. Does the project involve acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of structures located in a FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard?

☒No; Cite Source Document: Not applicable to this administration and planning activity. _____

☐Yes; Source Document: _____

2. Is the community participating in the National Insurance Program (or has less than one year passed since FEMA notification of Special Flood Hazards)?

☒Yes (Flood Insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program must be obtained and maintained for the economic life of the project, in the amount of the total project cost. A copy of the flood insurance policy declaration must be kept on file). **(Appendix I)**

☐No **(Federal assistance may not be used in the Special Flood Hazards Area).**

COASTAL BARRIERS RESOURCES ACT

1. Is the project located in a coastal barrier resource area?

☒ No; Cite Source Documentation: The City of Columbia is not located within a coastal barrier resource area._ (This element is completed).

☐ Yes - **Federal assistance may not be used in such an area.**

AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEAR ZONES AND CLEAR ZONES DISCLOSURES

1. Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of existing property within a Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone or a Military Installation's Clear Zone?

☒ No; Source Documentation: No property within the city limits is within 2500 feet of a Clear Zone or Runway Clear Zone _____
Project complies with 24 CFR 51.303(a)(3).

☐ Yes; **Disclosure statement must be provided** to buyer and a copy of the signed disclosure must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record **(Appendix II)**

Prepared by (name and title, please print): Gloria Saeed, Interim Director, Community Development, _____

Signature: Gloria Saeed, Director Date: 3/2/17