



PUBLIC NOTICE
City of Columbia CDBG Disaster Recovery Program
Unified Federal Review of Section 106
National Historic Preservation Act of 1966
Addendum to Programmatic Agreement among
FEMA, SCSHPO, SCEMD and Participating Tribes

HUD assisted projects like Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery projects require a historic preservation compliance review, otherwise known as a Section 106 review, which asks federal agencies to consider the impact projects may have on historic properties. HUD environmental regulations [24 CFR 58] require states and units of general local government to assume responsibility for environmental review of HUD-assisted projects. These Responsible Entities (REs) act as the federal agency in carrying out environmental reviews, including Section 106 reviews. A Programmatic Agreement (PA) may be developed to expedite the review process for multiple projects.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has a Programmatic Agreement in place for South Carolina to expedite Section 106 reviews of its disaster and non-disaster recovery activities through October 2021. Some of the efficiencies captured in the PA include shorter review times, an appendix of exempt activities, and the expedited resolution of adverse effects. HUD and FEMA fund similar types of disaster recovery activities such as acquisition and demolition, elevation of single family homes, and housing rehabilitation. Through an Addendum, HUD REs can accept the FEMA PA and utilize the same review procedures for CDBG Disaster Recovery projects.

The FEMA programmatic agreement for South Carolina was executed October 16, 2014. As a participating unit of general local government, the City of Columbia has assumed HUD's environmental review responsibilities pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 for CDBG Disaster Recovery funds and will accept and comply with the terms and conditions of the Agreement by executing an Addendum to fulfill their Section 106 responsibilities.

The Programmatic Agreement and Addendum are available for review on the City of Columbia, CDBG Disaster Recovery website, dr.columbiasc.gov Comments regarding the Programmatic Agreement should be emailed to Maya Gorman, Columbia Community Development Department at magorman@columbiasc.net, or faxed to (803) 255-8912.