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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR COMMENT

Substantial Amendment to the State of California’s

2018-19 Annual Action Plan

The State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) is soliciting public review and comment on the draft substantial amendment to the 2018-19 Annual Action Plan. The 2018-19 Annual Action Plan is an update of the State of California’s 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

This draft substantial amendment incorporates the Department’s ability to reallocate unencumbered Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program funds from prior program years to assist areas covered under Presidially Declared Disaster DR-4407. Changes to the state ESG regulations will allow the Department to allocate unencumbered ESG funds through a nonformula-based allocation.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved a waiver to reduce the public comment period for this substantial amendment from 30 days to 7 days. The public review period for this substantial amendment begins on June 27, 2019 through July 3, 2019. The Department must receive all comments on this substantial amendment no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 3, 2019.

The Department accepts public comments through one of the following means:
(1) Electronic mail (caper@hcd.ca.gov);
(2) Facsimile (916) 263-3394; or
(3) Mailed to the Department at the address below:

Attn: 2018-19 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment
California Department of Housing and Community Development
Division of Financial Assistance
Program Design & Development Branch
2020 West El Camino Avenue, Suite 600, Sacramento, CA 95833

The draft substantial amendment will be available for public review on the Department’s website at [http://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/plans-reports/index.shtml](http://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/plans-reports/index.shtml) as of June 27, 2019, and in Sacramento at the Department’s Housing Resource Center in Room 501; at planning departments of counties with at least one non-Entitlement jurisdiction, and the following libraries:
California State Library, Government Publications (Sacramento)
California State University, Meriam Library (Chico)
Free Library, Government Publications (Fresno County)
Public Library, Serials Division (Los Angeles)
Public Library (Oakland)
Public Library, Science & Industry Department (San Diego)
Public Library, Government Documents Department (San Francisco)
Stanford University Libraries, Green Library, Government Docs
University of California, Government Documents Library (Berkeley)
University of California, Shields Library, Government Documents (Davis)
University of California, Research Library (Los Angeles)
University of California, Government Documents (San Diego/La Jolla)
University of California, Government Publications (Santa Barbara)

In addition, the Department is holding a public hearing at the following time and location:

Sacramento
July 3, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

California Department of Housing and Community Development
Conference Room 402b
2020 West El Camino Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95833

A limited number of copies of the document are available to entities or individuals unable to access one of the above sources. Questions about access to documents or hearings should be directed to Molivann Phlong at (916) 263-1681. For translator or special service needs, please advise the Department within five working days of the review period in order to facilitate the request.

This proposal has been determined to be EXEMPT from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21080.10(b)) and CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED from the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations 50.20(a)(2)).