September 10, 2019

FOR IMMEDIATE POSTING FOR COMMENT


The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is soliciting public review and comment on the 2018-19 Draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), the Draft Substantial Amendment to the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan (ConPlan); and Draft Substantial Amendments to the 2017-18 and 2018-19 Annual Action Plans (AP). The 2017-18 and 2018-19 APs are the third and fourth annual updates to the State of California’s 2015-2020 ConPlan.

CAPER

The required 15-day public review period will begin on September 11, 2019, and HCD must receive all comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 25, 2019. The CAPER is being prepared for submittal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and reports on specified federal housing and economic assistance allocated by the state for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The CAPER does not address funds distributed directly to local governments (entitlement jurisdictions) by the federal government.

2015-2020 ConPlan Draft Substantial Amendment
2017-18 AP Draft Substantial Amendment
2018-19 AP Draft Substantial Amendment

The required 30-day public review period will begin on September 11, 2019, and HCD must receive all comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 11, 2019. The draft substantial amendment to the 2015-2020 ConPlan includes updates to the current ConPlan with an attached detailed addendum. The substantial amendment is the result of the Department’s comprehensive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program’s redesign process, in partnership with stakeholders. The draft substantial amendment includes changes to
the CDBG Method of Distribution to improve the CDBG program’s low expenditure rate. The attached addendum includes a detailed summary of the new CDBG Method of Distribution. The draft substantial amendment to the 2017-18 AP is the result of additional CDBG funds being awarded than what was originally anticipated. The draft substantial amendment to the 2018-19 AP includes required local jurisdictions’ CDBG Program Income (PI) information pursuant to 24 CFR 91.320(k)(1)(iv).

The 2018-19 Draft CAPER and Draft Substantial Amendments to the 2015-2020 ConPlan, 2017-18 AP, and 2018-19 AP will be available for public review on HCD’s website (http://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/plans-reports/index.shtml) as of September 11, 2019, and in Sacramento at HCD’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, 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).

A limited number of copies of the documents are also available to entities or individuals unable to access one of the above sources. Written comments can be submitted via facsimile (916-263-3394), electronic mail (caper@hcd.ca.gov), or mailed to the following address:

Department of Housing and Community Development
Division of Financial Assistance
2020 W. El Camino Avenue, Suite 600
Sacramento, California 95833
Attention: Claudia Sharygin, CAPER Coordinator

In addition, HCD is holding one public hearing at the following time and location:
If you have any questions, would like addresses or phone numbers for the county planning departments, or are in need of translators or special services, please contact this Department prior to the review dates at (916) 263-2771. 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(o)(2)).

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