CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT (HPD)
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (OMB)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

**EARLY NOTICE AND PUBLIC REVIEW OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN A 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN AND WETLANDS**

To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals:

This is to give notice that the City of New York ("City") is proposing to undertake activities within a 100-year floodplain relating to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's ("HUD") Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery ("CDBG-DR") program. President Obama signed the "Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013" (Public Law 113-2) into law on January 29, 2013. Among other appropriations, the Act included $16 billion in CDBG-DR funds "for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas resulting from Hurricane Sandy". This notice is required by Section 2(a)(4) of Executive Order 11988 for Floodplain Management and is implemented by HUD Regulations found at 24 CFR 55.20(b) for the HUD action that is within and/or affects a floodplain. Under 24 CFR Part 58, the City, as the Recipient of the grant funds, has identified its Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as the Responsible Entity (RE) for maintaining the CDBG-DR Environmental Review Record (ERR).

Projects funded with CDBG-DR would be located in areas of impact from Hurricane Sandy throughout the five Boroughs of New York City. The City anticipates that most of the grant would be targeted toward rehabilitation or reconstruction activities designed to help victims of Hurricane Sandy, including homeowners and tenants of rental properties to achieve permanent, sustainable housing solutions that allow them to remain in New York City, and return to their neighborhoods where possible.

The City's initial allocation of CDBG-DR funds is $4.21 billion. Of this total, the City has allocated $2.46 billion in funding for assistance to address the various unmet housing needs. The focus of this notice is the NYC Build-It-Back: Multi-Family Building Rehabilitation Program, which will be administered by the Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD). Of the $2.46 billion of CDBG-DR funds allocated to housing, $416 million would be provided to HPD for the rehabilitation of multifamily buildings (5+ units) and 3-4 unit buildings that are not owner-occupied. The properties shown below are subject to this public notice:

| Address | Borough | Block/Lot | Lot Acreage (Approx.) | Lot Acreage W/in 100 Year Flood Zone (Approx.) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 164 EAST 104 STREET | MN | 1631/49 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| 240 EAST 7 STREET | MN | 376/11 | 0.09 | 0.09 |
| 1011 EAST 108 STREET | BK | 8235/289 | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| 2580 OCEAN PARKWAY | BK | 7218/59 | 0.62 | 0.62 |
| 130 OCEANA DRIVE WEST | BK | 8720/7502 | 1.26 | 0.22 |
| 172-194 BEACH 62 STREET | QN | 15904/7501 | 4.44 | 4.44 |
| 191 BEACH 61 STREET | QN | 15904/7501 | 4.44 | 4.44 |
| 6116 BEACH FRONT ROAD | QN | 15933/7501 | 4.44 | 0.32 |
| 105 BEACH 61ST STREET | QN | 15933/7501 | 4.44 | 0.32 |
| 121 BEACH 61ST STREET | QN | 15933/7501 | 4.44 | 0.32 |
| 6018 BEACH FRONT ROAD | QN | 15932/7501 | 4.44 | 4.44 |
| 6006-6008 BEACH FRONT ROAD | QN | 15932/7501 | 4.44 | 4.44 |
| 107-113 BEACH 60TH STREET | QN | 15932/7501 | 4.44 | 4.44 |
| 118 BEACH 60TH STREET | QN | 15931/7501 | 4.44 | 0.18 |
| 122 BEACH 60 STREET | QN | 15931/7501 | 4.44 | 0.18 |
| 126-134 BEACH 60 STREET | QN | 15931/7501 | 4.44 | 0.18 |
| 165 BEACH 128TH STREET | QN | 16238/7501 | 0.18 | 0.18 |

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| 163 BEACH 128TH STREET | QN | 16238/7501 | 0.18 | 0.18 |
| 55 VERA STREET | SI | 3546/1 | 1.76 | 1.76 |

This public notice and the associated maps for the affected properties listed above are available for viewing using the following link http://www.nyc.gov/builditback and then clicking on "Reports and Public Notices".

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk. The 8-Step Decision Making Process includes public notices and the examination of practicable alternatives to building in the floodplain as well as potential mitigation measures. Applicants receiving CDBG-DR construction assistance for residential properties partially or wholly situated within the 100-year floodplain will be required to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program.

HPD is interested in alternatives and public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that could result from these projects as well as potential mitigation measures. The activities will occur in areas served by existing infrastructure. All interested persons, groups and agencies are invited to submit comments regarding the proposed use of federal funds to support a project located in a floodplain. Written comments should be sent to HPD at 100 Gold Street, New York, NY 10038, Attn: Patrick Blanchfield, Director of Environmental Planning, Office of Development, Room 7-A3. Comments may also be submitted electronically to nepa_env@hpd.nyc.gov. All comments must be received on or before the 15th day following the date of this notice.

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