



## **Addendum #1**

### **Part 58 Environmental Review 2018-12**

**Date: March 16, 2018**

**This addendum is to answer questions received.**

#### **Questions**

Questions about this environmental review. Acquisition-only implies that this would be done at the categorically excluded level of ER, and not the Environmental Assessment level.

Is this strictly acquisition, or is there some renovation, demolition, etc., activity planned in the future for the building? If future renovation work is to be done at the site, are you expecting to perform another environmental review at that time?

We can do a strictly acquisition-only ER much more quickly and more inexpensively, but the approved project activities would literally be limited to acquisition only.

Also, what types of federal funds are being considered, as that can impact the extent of investigation required (i.e. national housing trust funds can cause issues due to old plumbing).

One other question is whether this will be at Categorical Exclusion (Catex) or Assessment level. Basically, if the cost of renovation exceeds 75 % of the replacement cost, we'd need to do an Assessment Level of ER instead of a Catex level, which are quite a bit different. Also, if there is significant ground disturbance or increase in the footprint of structures it could get bumped to Assessment level from Catex. Should we assume Catex and then bump it to Assessment if during the course of the ER we determine that it needs to be at the Assessment level (eg. a change order), or should we just take the conservative route and assume Assessment Level (knowing that there is a significant price difference between the two levels, and competitive bidding should be at the same level)?

#### **Responses**

This will be a full review for renovation. The properties will be traditional public housing funded by HUD.

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