

Environmental Training

Overview of Process and
Levels of Environmental Review

Steps In the Process

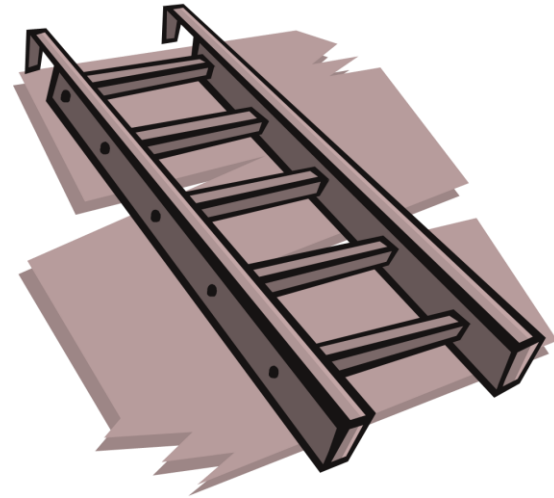
- Define the project
- Aggregate
- Alternatives
- Level of Review
- Conduct Review
- Publish when required
- RROF

Steps In the Process

- Receive ATUGF
- Commit Funds and Implement Project

Level of Review

- Full Assessment
- Categorically Excluded,
Subject to 58.5 /6
- Categorically Excluded
Not Subject to 58.5
- Exempt



Exempt Activities

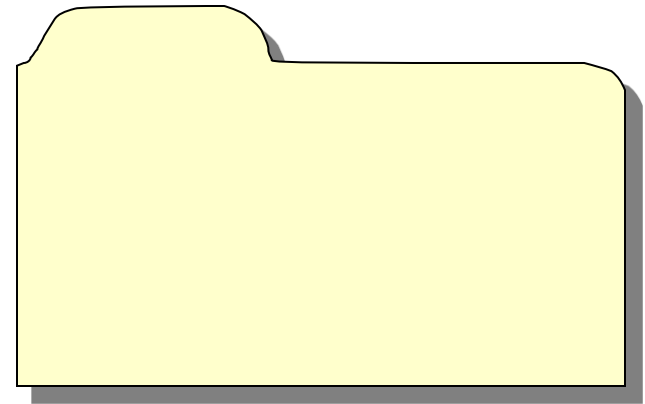
24 CFR Part 58.34(a)

- Environmental, planning & design costs
- Information & financial services
- Administrative / management activities
- Public services (no physical impact)
- Inspections
- Purchase of tools / insurance
- Technical assistance & training
- Temporary assistance for imminent threats
- Payment of principal and interest on HUD loan

Exempt “Level of Review”

24 CFR part 58.34

- Document determination in writing
- Document compliance with 58.6
- Sign and Date
- No RROF or further approval from HUD or State is required

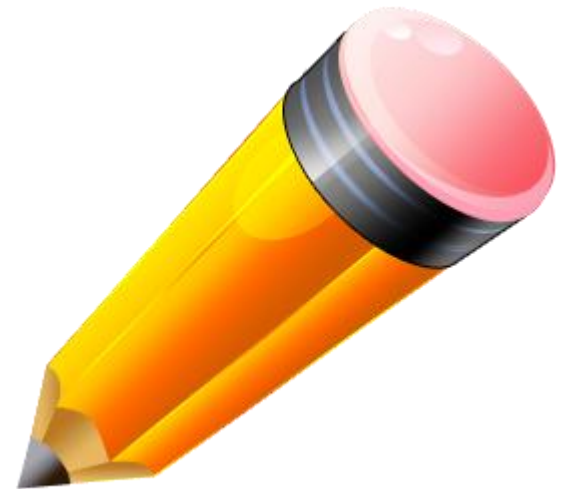


Categorically Excluded Activities not subject to 58.5 at 24 CFR part 58.35(b)

- Tenant-based Rental Assistance
- Supportive Services (Hsg. Counseling)
- Operating Costs (maintenance, supplies)
- ED costs (non-construction)
- Down-payment Assistance on Existing
- Pre-development Costs

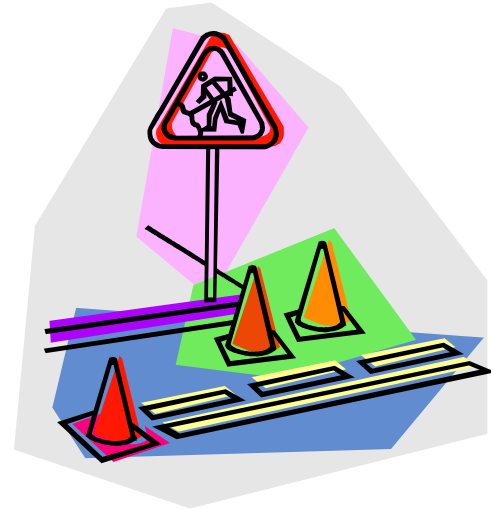
Categorically Excluded Not subject to 58.5

- SAME AS EXEMPT:
 - Document determination in writing
 - Document compliance with 58.6
 - SIGN and DATE
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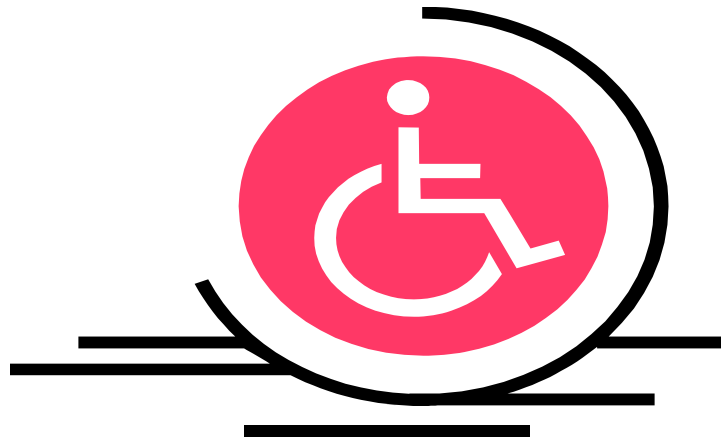
Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)

- Public Facilities – not buildings:
 - Acquisition
 - Repair
 - Reconstruction
 - Improvement
- If Facility in place
- 20% or less change in size or capacity



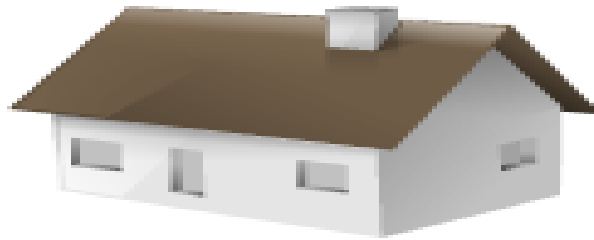
Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(2)

- Special Projects for removal of:
 - Material
 - Architectural Barriers
- That restrict mobility and accessibility and accessibility



Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3(i))

- Rehabilitation of 1 to 4 family Dwellings
 - Density in not > 4 units
 - Land use is not changed
 - The site in not in floodplain
 - The footprint is not expanded



Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(ii)



- Rehab of multifamily residential when:
 - Density is not changed $> 20\%$
 - Does not involve change in land use
 - Cost is $< 75\%$ cost of replacement

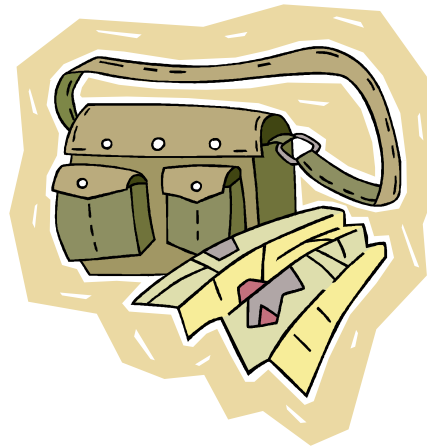
Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(iii)

- Rehab of Non-residential when:
 - <20% change in size and capacity
 - Does not change land use



Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(4)

1. An individual action on a 1-to-4 family dwelling
2. A project of five or more units
 - More than 2,000 ft apart
 - Developed on scattered sites



Categorically Excluded subject to 58.5 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(5)

- Acquisition or Disposition
 - Existing Structure or land IF
 - Structure will be used for the same use
 - Land will be used for the same use



Categorically Excluded Clearance

- Complete Statutory Checklist
- If Compliance is triggered:
 - Publish / Post NOI / RROF
 - Wait 7/10 days
 - Send RROF to HUD / State
 - HUD Waits 15 days



Categorically Excluded Clearance

- Complete Statutory Checklist
- If Compliance is NOT triggered:
 - Project reverts to exempt
 - Document determination in writing (58.34(a)(12) and (b))
 - Place all documentation in ERR (sign and date)

Environmental Assessment Activities

24 CFR 58.36

Project Activities that are

- Not Categorically Excluded
 - See Conditions 58.35(a)
- Change in Use
- Major Rehab
- Increase in size or capacity >20%
- New Const > 4 SF together

Require a FULL ASSESSMENT

Environmental Assessment Activities

- Greater potential for impact
- Always requires a FONSI and RROF
- Determines if EIS is required
- Requires study of alternatives

Environmental Assessment

- Requires NEPA study
 - Includes the Laws and Authorities at 58.5 and 6
- Studies:
 - Human Environment
 - Built Environment

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Environmental Assessment Clearance

- Complete EA Checklist
- Make Finding
- Publish / Post Combined Notice
- Wait 15 / 18 days
- RROF and certifications to HUD
- HUD waits 15 days

Environmental Impact Statement

“EIS 24 CFR Part 58.37

- Completed for:
- Controversial Projects
- Findings of Significant Impacts (FOSI)
- Large projects (2,500 or more units)