## Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a Federal Flood Risk Management Standard Designated Floodplain 9020 – 9029 Wall Street

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that Louisiana Housing Corporation (LHC) has determined that the following proposed action under Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds is located in the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (FFRMS) floodplain, and LHC will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988, as amended by Executive Order 13690 and/or Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 in Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The project location was determined to not impact wetlands, as the project activities are restricted to the existing project site.

The lot at 9020 Wall Street in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana; is approximately 0.13-acres and is identified as 'Lots 5 & 6, Block C Washington 10375067'. The coordinates of the center of this lot are 29.97631 N / -90.23694 W. The project includes reconstruction of the existing structure within the same approximate footprint to provide a single-family residence at 9020 Wall Street.

The lot at 9029 Wall Street in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana; is approximately 0.03-acres and is identified as 'Lots 28 29 Blck B Washington'. The coordinates of the center of this lot are 29.97669 N / -90.23693 W. The project includes reconstruction of the existing single-family structure within the same approximate footprint into a duplex with two residential units at 9029 Wall Street.

The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using a Climate Informed Science Approach (CISA). The project is located within Zone X, protected by a levee. A maximum of 0.16 acres of FFRMS floodplain will be potentially impacted.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in the floodplain 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. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the floodplain. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about the floodplain can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts 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 a floodplain, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by LHC at the following address on or before October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024: Louisiana Housing Corporation, 4000 S Sherwood Forest Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, Attention: Amber Lavergne, Environmental Impact Specialist. Comments may also be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:alavergne@lhc.la.gov">alavergne@lhc.la.gov</a>. A full description of the project may be reviewed from 8:00 to 5:00 PM at 4000 S Sherwood Forest Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70816 and https://www.lhc.la.gov/public-comments-and-notices. Date: October 1, 2024