

**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
Activity in a Federal Flood Risk Management Standard Designated Floodplain**

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the **Louisiana Housing Corporation (LHC)** under **24 CFR Part 58** has determined that the following proposed action under **Louisiana Homeless & Housing Stability: Affordable Multifamily Rental Housing Development Program (HHSD)** 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**, 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 proposed project location is **1122 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd in New Orleans, Orleans Parish**. The extent of the FFRMS floodplain was determined using **0.2 percent flood approach**. **The proposed project is construction a four-story building that will consist of 30 residential units with a ground floor community/office space. The project is approximately 0.3 acres of vacant land and is located in Zone X – Area with reduced flood risk due to levee.**

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in a **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 a **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 **May 20, 2025**: LHC, 2415 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 and 225-763-8700, Attention: Amber Lavergne, Environmental Impact Specialist. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9 AM – 5 PM at 2415 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 and <https://www.lhc.la.gov>. Comments may also be submitted via email at alavergne@lhc.la.gov.

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