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**Tiered Environment Review
for Activity/Project that is
Categorically Excluded Subject to Section 58.5
Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)**

Project Information

Project Name: 50th-Year-DCHD-Rebuild-Together-Volunteer-Program

HEROS Number: 900000010406476

Responsible Entity (RE): EL PASO, City 1 - 300 N. Campbell El Paso TX, 79901

State / Local Identifier: Texas

RE Preparer: JoAnn Vera

Certifying Officer: Elda Rodriguez Hefner

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity):

Point of Contact:

Consultant (if applicable):

Point of Contact:

Project Location: El Paso, TX

Additional Location Information:

City of El Paso, within City limits District 1 thru 8.

Direct Comments to: City of El Paso, Department of Community and Human Development
801 Texas Ave., 3rd Floor (CITY 3)
El Paso, TX 79901

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

FY2024-2025 50th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Rebuilding Together El Paso, 6400 Airport Rd., El Paso, TX 79925 Volunteer Rehabilitation Program - project will address basic housing maintenance and minor rehab improvements and resident empowerment by creating healthy, safe and decent living conditions, enabling 50 elderly

and/or disabled homeowners to extend their life in their own living environment within the city limits of El Paso, TX. Subrecipient will perform allowable basic and necessary repairs on eligible clients' homes with the assistance of volunteers, family members of the homeowners, and, when applicable, paid licensed professionals. The maximum amount allowed for repairs per household will be \$4,999.00.

Maps, photographs, and other documentation of project location and description:

[Map City of El Paso.pdf](#)

Approximate size of the project area: more than 1 square mile

Length of time covered by this review: 1 Year

Maximum number of dwelling units or lots addressed by this tiered review:

50

Level of Environmental Review Determination:

Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5: 58.35(a)(3)

Determination:

	Extraordinary circumstances exist and this project may result in significant environmental impact. This project requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA); OR
✓	There are no extraordinary circumstances which would require completion of an EA, and this project may remain CEST.

Approval Documents:

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7015.15 certified by Certifying Officer on:

7015.16 certified by Authorizing Officer on:

Funding Information

Grant / Project Identification Number	HUD Program	Program Name	Funding Amount
B-24-MC-48-0015	Community Planning and Development (CPD)	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) (Entitlement)	\$200,000.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$200,000.00

Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) (5)]: \$200,000.00

Compliance with 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5 and §58.6 Laws and Authorities

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5, and §58.6	Was compliance achieved at the broad level of review?	Describe here compliance determinations made at the broad level and source documentation.
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR §50.4 & § 58.6		
Airport Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Coastal Barrier Resources Act	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	No Coastal Barriers in El Paso, Texas. Compliance based on location and CBMA, See Attachment 2.
Flood Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR §50.4 & § 58.5		
Air Quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Based on project description consisting of "minor" rehabilitation of existing residence there are no activities that require evaluation under the Clean Air Act.
Coastal Zone Management Act	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	El Paso, Texas is not a coastal city. The nearest coastal zone is 600 miles away. See Attachment 5.
Contamination and Toxic Substances	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Endangered Species Act	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	The project activities will consist of minor repairs to existing owner occupied single-family homes with no ground disturbance. The project type will have no effect on listed species.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Project activities will consist of minor repairs to existing owner-occupied single-family homes and does not meet the definition of HUD-assisted project requirements for explosive hazards per 24 CFR Part 51.201. Therefore, the explosive hazard regulations do not apply.
Farmlands Protection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Proposed project does not meet definition of prime and/or unique farmlands. Minor rehabilitation project activities of existing structures are exempt from the FPPA per 7 CFR Part 658.3. See Attachment 9.

Floodplain Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Project activities will consist of minor repairs/rehabilitation of existing owner-occupied single-family residences and meets the floodplain management exception at 24 CFR Part 55.12 (b)(2).
Historic Preservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Noise Abatement and Control	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Sole Source Aquifers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	There is no sole source aquifer in El Paso, Texas. See Attachment 13.
Wetlands Protection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Based on project description no activities would require further evaluation under this section.
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	El Paso, Texas has no designated wild or scenic rivers. These projects are not within proximity of a NWSRS river. See Attachment 15.
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE		
Environmental Justice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Minor Rehab of Single-Family Residence.

Supporting documentation

- [Attachment 2 Coastal.pdf](#)
- [Attachment 5 Coastal Zone.pdf](#)
- [Attachment 9 Farmland.pdf](#)
- [Attachment 13 Aquifers.pdf](#)
- [Attachment 15 Wild River.pdf](#)

Written Strategies

The following strategies provide the policy, standard, or process to be followed in the site-specific review for each law, authority, and factor that will require completion of a site-specific review.

1	Airport Hazards
	<p>1. Using resource material NEPAAssist Transportation Mapper: *Measure distance from property site to proximity to civilian and/or military airport runway zone. Within 15,000' Military Airport or 2,500' Civilian Airport Runway Zone 2. Determine if project is within RPZ 3. Document project is a minor maintenance/rehabilitation of existing residence. *Activity will not increase density or number of people at site. 4. Map showing site distance from Airport Runway Zone. *If within 2,500' CAP, map or letter stating site not within designation *If within 15,000' MAP, map or letter stating site not within designation 5. Document and map all findings, upload to HEROS.</p>
2	Flood Insurance

	Using FEMA Map Service Center website http://msc.fema.gov 1. Property site is entered and FEMA Map downloaded and designation is documented. 2. If property is not in a flood zone, FEMA map is uploaded to HEROS ERR and documented in ERR. 3. If property is designated, further review and documentation is required. Due to project scope of work, it may be determined infeasible, removed from Rebuilding Together and forwarded to City of El Paso Rehabilitation program.
3	Contamination and Toxic Substances 1. Perform onsite inspection using Site-Specific Field Contamination Checklist and take pictures. *Document property site be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases within 1 mile of site. 2. Using reference material NEPAAssist EPA Facilities Mapper: *Review databases maintained by U.S. EPA *Map showing site distances from hazardous waste, air pollution, water dischargers, toxic releases, superfund, brownfields, RAD Info and toxic substances control act areas. 3. Collect EPA reports and document any violations. 4. Document any impact/determination/clean-up action to proposed project site. 5. Documentation, maps and reports, upload to HEROS.
4	Historic Preservation Per Section 106 review property location, map site and take photos with scope of work; submit with a written request for consultation to THC Texas Historical Commission using eTRAC (electronic THC Review and Compliance) system to determine if property is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Should SHPO/THC conclude that subject actions will not affect property eligible for listing, then the Section 106 Review concludes, response from SHPO/THC is uploaded to HEROS ERR and copy placed in file. If structure is determined to be listed/eligible for listing in the National Register, a Determination of Effect will be filed detailing proposed activities to include plans, specs and photos of project.
5	Noise Abatement and Control 1. Perform onsite inspection using Site-Specific Field Contamination Checklist and take pictures. *Document property site be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases within 1 mile of site. 2. Using reference material NEPAAssist EPA Facilities Mapper: *Review databases maintained by U.S. EPA *Map showing site distances from hazardous waste, air pollution, water dischargers, toxic releases, superfund, brownfields, RADInfo and toxic substances control act areas. 3. Collect EPA reports and document any violations. 4. Document any impact/determination/clean-up action to proposed project site. 5. Documentation, maps and reports, upload to HEROS.

Supporting documentation

[Site Specific Field Contamination Checklist.pdf](#)

[Site Specific Review Rebuild Together.xlsx](#)

APPENDIX A: Site Specific Reviews