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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: City-of-Raleigh-2026-2030-Tiered-Review

**HEROS
Number:** 900000010516171

Start Date: 01/16/2026

**Responsible Entity
(RE):** RALEIGH, 222 W Hargett St Raleigh NC, 27601

**State / Local
Identifier:** NC

RE Preparer: William Hartye

**Certifying
Officer:** Janet Cowell

**Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible
Entity):**

Point of Contact:

**Consultant (if
applicable):**

Point of Contact:

40 CFR 1506.5(b)(4): The lead agency or, where appropriate, a cooperating agency shall prepare a disclosure statement for the contractor's execution specifying that the contractor has no financial or other interest in the outcome of the action. Such statement need not include privileged or confidential trade secrets or other confidential business information.

By checking this box, I attest that as a preparer, I have no financial or other interest in the outcome of the undertaking assessed in this environmental review.

Additional Location Information:

N/A

Direct Comments

to:

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

Tiered review strategy for scattered site residential rehabilitation and infill activities, acquisition, and demolition within the City limits of Raleigh that will be funded with CDBG, HOME, and ESG entitlement grants between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2030. These programs will help to improve the quality of existing supply of safe affordable housing for low-income Raleigh residents: 1) Scattered Site Residential Rehabilitation/Infill: Rehabilitation and reconstruction of housing units on scattered sites throughout the city limits of Raleigh. Housing related activities include temporary relocation, limited rehabilitation, property acquisition, and demolition and clearance. If rehabilitation is determined to be economically infeasible, other options will be considered. Individual applications will be served on a first-come, first-served basis after eligibility is determined. The homes will be identified and reviewed for environmental conditions as individual applicants are approved for assistance. No funding will be committed for individual sites prior to completion of the environmental review for that site. 2) Acquisition: Acquisition of properties and structures that are a health and safety hazard or necessary for future redevelopment. The properties and structures will be identified and reviewed for environmental conditions. No funding will be committed for individual sites prior to completion of the environmental review for that site. 3) Demolition: Demolition and clearance of properties and structures that are a health and safety hazard. The properties and structures will be identified and reviewed for environmental conditions, including Section 106 review. No funding will be committed for individual sites prior to completion of the environmental review for that site. Low-income households within the City limits of Raleigh may apply for the rehabilitation funds, and the City will use funds for acquisition, demolition and infill. ESG funding may be used for HMIS and Rapid-Rehousing This is a multiyear project with and includes the funding sources listed below: (Entitlement) CDBG Grant Numbers: B-25-MC-37-0009; B-26-MC-37-0009; B-27-MC-37-0009; B-28-MC-37-0009; and B-29-MC-37-0009 HOME Grant Numbers: M-25-MC-37-0206; M-26-MC-37-0206; M-27-MC-37-0206; M-28-MC-37-0206; and M-29-MC-37-0206. ESG Grant Numbers: E-25-MC-37-0009; E-26-MC-37-0009; E-27-MC-37-0009; E-28-MC-37-0009; and E-29-MC-37-0009

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

[CityLimits.pdf](#)

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

Length of time covered by this review: 5 Years

Maximum number of dwelling units or lots addressed by this tiered review:
500

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)(1)

58.35(a)(2)

58.35(a)(3)

58.35(a)(4)

58.35(a)(5)

58.35(a)(6)

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:

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-FY-MW-37-0009	Community Planning and Development (CPD)	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) (Entitlement)	\$14,250,000.00
E-FY-MC-37-0009	Community Planning and Development (CPD)	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program	\$1,265,000.00

M-FY-MC-37-0206	Community Planning and Development (CPD)	HOME Program	\$7,000,000.00
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Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$22,515,000.00

Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) (5)]: \$30,515,000.00

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	According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Coastal Barrier Resource System (CBRS) Mapper, the subject property is not located within or near a CBRS Unit. The nearest CBRS Unit to the subject property is located over 100 miles southeast and along the coastline near Jacksonville, South Carolina. The project is in compliance with this section.
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	Construction activities would have short-term minor impacts related to emissions and fugitive dust. Long-term minor emissions from the operation of the development buildings and vehicle emissions would result in less than significant impacts. The project's county or air quality management district is in attainment status for all criteria pollutants. Wake County, NC historically has been 1-hour ozone (1979, revoked on June 17, 1984), 8-hour ozone (1997 revoked on December 26, 2007), and carbon monoxide (1971, transportation

		conformity expired on September 18, 2015). Wake County was entered into a carbon monoxide (CO) Limited Maintenance Plan which documents that Wake County is well below the CO National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) and introduced a State Implementation Plan (SIP), which outlined current levels of emissions. The project complies with the Clean Air Act.
Coastal Zone Management Act	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	The subject property is not within or near a North Carolina Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) area. Therefore, this project complies with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.
Contamination and Toxic Substances	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Endangered Species Act	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Explosive and Flammable Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Farmlands Protection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	The City of Raleigh is depicted within an urbanized area per the TigerWeb Census Bureau Map, EPA NEPAAssist Tool, and recent topographic maps. See attached maps.
Floodplain Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
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	According to the EPA Sole Source Aquifers mapping program, there are no SSAs located in North Carolina. As the project is not located on or within vicinity of a SSA, the project is in compliance with this section. See attached map.
Wetlands Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE		
Environmental Justice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	The project will not create an adverse and disproportionate environmental impact or aggravate any existing impacts. It will not have a disproportionate adverse impact on minority or low-income populations. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 12898. Additionally, according to Executive Order 14173,

		environmental justice is no longer a federal requirement.
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Supporting documentation

[4G EPA Resource Heavy Construction Operations.pdf](#)
[4F Non Attainment Counties.pdf](#)
[4ENARR~1.PDF](#)
[4D CO Plan Letter.pdf](#)
[4C Carbon Monoxide 1971 Designated Area Area.pdf](#)
[4B 8 Hour Ozone 1997 Designated Area.pdf](#)
[4A 1 Hour Ozone 1979 Designated Area.pdf](#)
[CBRS Exhibit\(1\).pdf](#)
[CAMA.pdf](#)
[CBRS Exhibit\(1\).pdf](#)
[Species List_ Raleigh Ecological Services Field Office.pdf](#)
[Map of Urban Areas.pdf](#)
[Urban Areas 2026.jpg](#)
[Map of NRHP.pdf](#)
[Map of Sole Source Aquifers.pdf](#)
[CAMA\(1\).pdf](#)
[NWI.pdf](#)
[Wild and Scenic Rivers.pdf](#)
[15A NRI River Map.pdf](#)
[NPIAS NC.pdf](#)
[Map of EPA Facilities.pdf](#)
[CDC Radon Data.pdf](#)
[Map of Airport Locations.pdf](#)
[FRA Rail Network Map.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
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis. If the project is located within 2,500 feet of a civil airport or 15,000 feet of a military airfield, staff will determine whether the project is located within the Runway Clearzone or Protection Zone (civil and military airports) or Accident Potential Zone (military airports).
2	Flood Insurance
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine whether the activity is located in a FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard Area.
3	Contamination and Toxic Substances

	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine if there are any Brownfields or Superfund sites within 3,000 feet of the site. If any of the above conditions are met, appropriate documentation, which may include procurement of a Phase I Environmental Assessment in accordance with ASTM Standard E-1527-13, will be provided to show that the contaminants do not pose a threat to the health or safety of the site occupants, or restrict property usage.
4	Endangered Species
	In instances in which the proposed project will result in ground disturbance, vegetation removal, filling of ponds, streams, or other waters, or generation of atypical noise levels, staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis.
5	Explosive and Flammable Hazards
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine if there are any ASTs meeting the criteria outlined in 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C. The review may include a desktop review of recent aerial imagery for a one-mile radius from the boundary of each site, contacting the fire department for information regarding ASTs, and a windshield survey in the vicinity of each site.
6	Floodplain Management
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine whether the activity is located in a FEMA-identified Special Flood Hazard Area.
7	Historic Preservation
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis, and in instances in which required, will conduct a Section 106 review.
8	Noise Abatement and Control
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine whether there are any major roadways, airports, and/or railroads whose noise will affect the project.
9	Wetlands Protection
	In instances in which the proposed project will result in ground disturbance, vegetation removal, filling of ponds, streams, or other waters, or generation of atypical noise levels, staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis.
10	Wild and Scenic Rivers
	Staff will need to check this for compliance on a site by site basis to determine whether a qualifying river segment is in proximity. According to the Nationwide River Inventory (NRI), an NRI Segment of the Neuse River is located on the eastern side of Raleigh. According to the Wild and Scenic River System, the nearest segment is a portion of the Lumber River located approximately 50 miles southwest of Raleigh near Raeford, NC.

Supporting documentation

[Rehab and Repair Environmental Review Checklist TEMPLATE.docx](#)

[2 Acquisition Environmental Review Checklist.docx](#)

[Homebuyer Environmental Review Checklist TEMPLATE.docx](#)

APPENDIX A: Site Specific Reviews