



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
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OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL
AND HEALTHY HOMES

MEMORANDUM FOR: Yolanda A. Brown, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, L

FROM: Larry Byrd, Acting Director, Lead and Healthy Homes Programs Division, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, L

SUBJECT: Finding of No Significant Impact under the National Environmental Policy Act – Notice of Funding Availability for Fiscal Year 2026:
Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program (FHC-2600-DC-0013)

It is the finding of this Office that the content of the subject Notice (FHC-2600-DC-0013) (attached) does not represent a substantive or significant change to the content of the previously published Notices (FR-6900-N-13 and FR-6800-N-13).

As such, the following determination remains: the subject Notice does not constitute a major federal action having an individually or cumulatively significant effect on the human environment and therefore does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

The notice sets out the guidance to govern the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program, which is authorized by Section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. 4852), and sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 and 1701z-2). Funding for this program is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42, approved March 9, 2024), the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119-4, approved March 15, 2025), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 (Public Law 119-75, approved February 3, 2026).

This brief Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact provides verification that the attached Environmental Assessment and FONSI for FR-6900-N-13 and FR-6800-N-13 remain applicable to this Notice.

Attachments

Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program (FHC-2600-DC-0013)
FONSI for Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program for FY 2025 (FR-6900-N-13)
FONSI for Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program for FY 2024 (FR-6800-N-13)

Concurrences:

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Approval:

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June 26, 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR: Matthew E. Ammon, Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, L

FROM: David E. Robbins, Program Environmental Clearance Officer, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, L

SUBJECT: Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact under the National Environmental Policy Act – Notice of Funding Availability for Fiscal Year 2025:
Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program FR-6900-N-13

It is the finding of this Office that the updated content of the subject Notice FR-6900-N-13 does not represent a substantive or significant change to the content of the previously published Notice FR-6800-N-13. As such, the following determination remains: the subject Notice does not constitute a major Federal action having an individually or cumulatively significant effect on the human environment and therefore does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

The attached Notice sets out the guidance to govern the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program with Healthy Homes Supplemental funding, which is authorized by section 1011 of the Residential Lead- Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992) (42 U.S.C. 4852), and sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 and 1701z-2). Funding for this program is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328, approved December 29, 2022), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42, approved March 9, 2024), and the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119-4, approved March 15, 2025).

This brief Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact provides verification that the attached Environmental Assessment and FONSI for FR-6800-13 remains applicable to this notice FR-6900-N-13.

FONSI: FY2025 NOFO Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program
with Healthy Homes Supplemental funding (FR-6900-N-13)

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Attachments:

2025 LHR NOFO (FR-6900-N-13)
FONSI for 2024 LHR NOFO (FR-6800-N-13)

Attachment: FONSI for Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program for FY 2024 (FR-6800-N-13)



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June 21, 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR: Matthew E. Ammon, Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, L

FROM: Michelle M. Miller, Deputy Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, LWARREN
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SUBJECT: Finding of No Significant Impact under the National Environmental Policy Act – Notice of Funding Availability for Fiscal Year 2024: **Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program (FR-6800-N-13)**

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It is the finding of this Office that the publication of the attached Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program described by the attached funding notice (FR-6800-N-13), does not constitute a major federal action having an individual or cumulative significant effect on the human environment, and therefore does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

The notice sets out the guidance to govern the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program, which is authorized by Section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. 4852), and sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 and 1701z-2). Funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103, approved March 15, 2022), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328, approved December 29, 2022), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42, approved March 9, 2024).

The Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program assists states, city or townships, counties/parishes, federally recognized Native American tribes or other units of local government with a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-authorized lead abatement certification program in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing populations. Allowable costs and activities for this program include:

1. General management, oversight, and coordination of the grant (i.e., program administration).
2. Pre-hazard control blood lead testing of children under the age of six years residing in or frequently visiting units enrolled for or undergoing lead hazard control work.

3. Lead dust, soil and paint-chip testing, XRF testing, lead-based paint inspections, risk assessments, clearance examination, and engineering and architectural activities.
4. Controlling or eliminating all lead-based paint hazards identified in housing units and in common areas of multi-family housing through either interim controls or lead-based paint abatement, or a combination of both.
5. Housing intervention activities specifically required to carry out effective hazard control, and without which the hazard control could not be completed, maintained, and sustained.
6. Temporary relocation for families and individuals while remediation is conducted and until the time the affected unit receives clearance for re-occupancy.
7. Activities that directly support the undertaking of lead hazard control, i.e., staff costs for intake, review and approval of applications and preparation of documents to be signed by applicants for lead remediation work; arranging for temporary relocation; assisting residents in relation to lead hazard control; on-site monitoring of lead hazard control activities; and travel and transportation for staff that perform lead hazard control.
8. Targeted outreach, affirmative marketing, education or outreach programs on lead hazard control and lead poisoning prevention.
9. Purchasing or leasing equipment having a per-unit cost under \$5,000.
10. Data collection, analysis, and evaluation of grant program activities.
11. Securing liability insurance for housing-related environmental health and safety hazard evaluation and control activities.
12. Participating in technical studies or developing information systems to preserve project data and records and compile requested information in formats provided by the researchers, evaluators, or HUD. We do not expect research that could affect human subjects to be conducted.

The notice also provides optional Healthy Homes Supplemental funds for Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction grant applicants. The supplemental funds will assist in the identification and remediation of housing-related health and safety hazards identified and documented in each individual eligible unit. Healthy Homes Supplemental funding, if applied for and awarded, must be used in units also receiving lead-based paint hazard control work funded under this grant. Eligible costs and activities include:

1. Completing a Healthy Homes Assessment of each individual unit to identify housing hazards that affect health.
2. Developing a scope of work of the identified hazards for each unit.
3. Conducting remediation of identified and documented health and safety hazards that are individualized for each of the housing units selected to receive this funding.
4. Reevaluation of the completed work, reporting, and notification to occupants and owners, if different, of the nature and results of the remediation.

Award of an FY 2024 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant does not constitute approval of specific sites or projects where activities that are subject to environmental review may be carried out. Recipients of funding under this NOFO that are states, units of general local government, Native American tribes, or consortiums with such a unit of government as the principal applicant, must carry out environmental review responsibilities as a responsible entity

under 24 CFR part 58, "Environmental Review Procedures for Entities Assuming HUD Environmental Responsibilities." For recipients that are not a state, unit of general local government, or Native American tribe (or consortium with such a government as principal applicant), HUD will perform the environmental review of proposed activities under 24 CFR part 50. Reasonable expenses incurred for compliance with these environmental requirements are eligible expenses under this NOFO.

For all grants awarded under this NOFO, recipients and other participants in the project are prohibited from undertaking or committing or expending HUD or non-HUD funds on a project or activities under this NOFO (other than activities listed at 24 CFR 58.34, 58.35(b) or 58.22(f), e.g., lead-based paint inspections, risk assessments, and housing related health hazard assessments using the Healthy Homes Supplement Funds) until:

(1) The recipient completes a tiered environmental review (see 24 CFR 58.15 Tiering) using the HUD Environmental Review Online System (HEROS), including the submission, and HUD approval, of a Request for Release of Funds and the recipient's Environmental Certification (both on Form HUD 7015.15), through HEROS, following the completion of the Tier 1 broad-level review, and completion of a site-specific review at the particular site; or

(2) In the case where the recipient is not a state, unit of general local government or Native American tribe and HUD performs the review under Part 50, HUD has completed the review and notified the recipient of its approval. The results of a Tier 2, site specific environmental review or a HUD review under part 50 may require that proposed activities be modified, or proposed sites rejected. For applicants that are not a state, unit of general local government, or Native American Tribe, in accordance with 24 CFR 50.3(h), the application constitutes an assurance that the applicant will comply with this prohibition until HUD approval of the property is received, and that the applicant will assist HUD in complying with part 50; will supply HUD with all available, relevant information necessary for HUD to perform for each property any required environmental review; and will carry out mitigation measures required by HUD or select an alternate eligible property.

Grantees who will conduct lead hazard control work on eligible units located outside of the recipient's jurisdiction will be required to submit an executed contract, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) or comparable documentation of agreement with and between each jurisdiction of the target area. The grant recipient will be considered the lead agency; the other jurisdiction(s) will be required to provide resources, information, and documentation, including for environmental reviews under part 58, pertaining to work in the area of the particular jurisdiction. The contract, MOU, MOA, or comparable agreement is akin to a consortium agreement as described in the definition of consortium in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.101.

Grantees under this NOFO with current Tiered Environmental Reviews for a previous award will be offered the option to validate the Tier 1 and file the validation documentation in HEROS, per 24 CFR 58.47, or complete a new Tier 1 during the grant start-up period. A current Tiered Environmental Review is one that is dated not more than 5 years from the new award start date. Also, if substantial changes are not proposed in the new grant program, the grantee shall provide documentation as such in the current Tier 1, and no new Request for Release of Funds (RROF) and Environmental Certification (Form HUD 7015.15) to HUD is required until the

original Tier 1 expires (5 years from the original dated Tier 1), substantial changes in the nature, magnitude, or extent of the project or program are proposed, or new circumstances and environmental conditions are presented, whichever comes first. Examples of substantial change include but are not limited to: adding or eliminating target areas; adding 20% or more additional units; changing the pool of eligible residential buildings (ex., adding multifamily buildings). Substantial changes require an update of the Tier 1 and a new RROF and Environmental Certification is required.

Maintenance activities require a limited form of environmental review and documentation in the environmental review record; examples of maintenance work versus rehabilitation work are defined in the HUD Memo CDP-16-02 "Guidance for Categorizing an Activity as Maintenance for Compliance with HUD Environmental Regulations, 24 CFR Parts 50 and 58" issued 2/8/2016.

Lead and other housing related health and safety hazard evaluation (testing), interim controls and hazard control or abatement work must be conducted by firms certified or licensed for, and persons certified for, the activities according to the Lead Safe Housing Rule at 24 CFR part 35, subparts B-R (possessing certification as risk assessors, inspectors, abatement supervisors, abatement workers, or sampling technicians (clearance inspections); or certified renovator (for workers and supervisors performing non-abatement work). Lead abatement activities conducted under the grant by certified or licensed abatement firm, a certified abatement supervisor, and certified abatement workers are to be carried out in accordance with the Lead Safe Housing Rule and current HUD Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing, applicable OLHCHH Program Policies, and applicable federal, state and local regulations and guidance, including but not limited to the EPA's Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Rule. Regarding the requirement that certain activities be carried out by appropriately trained and/or certified professionals, the Office notes that the EPA and EPA-authorized States regulate training and certification programs for lead-based paint inspectors, risk assessors, abatement contractors, remodelers, renovators, and painters (ref. Toxic Substances Control Act sections 402 and 404; 15 U.S.C. §§ 2682 and 2684, respectively).

Additionally, the Office included in its analysis provisions for waste disposal and worker protection. Given the nature of the listed permissible activities, disposal of lead-containing waste is anticipated. The notice specifies that waste disposal must be carried out according to the requirements of the appropriate local, state, and federal regulatory agencies, and the current FONSI: FY2024 NOFO Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program with Healthy Homes Supplemental funding (FR-6800-N-13)

HUD Guidelines. Disposal of wastes from residential hazard control activities that contain lead-based paint is not classified as hazardous by the EPA; even if they are not classified as hazardous in accordance with state or local law, they must also be appropriately handled in accordance with state or local law or current HUD Guidelines. Worker protection shall be accommodated through adherence of the most stringent and protective of the current HUD Guidelines, Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) (29 CFR 1910.1025, Lead and/or 1926.62, Lead Exposure in Construction, as applicable), and/or the state or local occupational safety and health regulations.

Publication of the notice does not provide approval of a major Federal action having a significant impact on the human environment, sets forth the Environmental Requirements under applicable HUD environmental review regulations for individual projects, and provides methods and standards by which evaluation and hazard reduction work is to be performed. Before actions that could have a physical impact or limit the choice of alternatives may be taken, there will be an environmental review done under 24 CFR part 50 (by HUD) or 24 CFR Part 58 (by a responsible entity) that will assess the potential environmental impacts in a local setting before the impacts or any choice limiting activities may take place. Accordingly, it is the determination of this office that a Finding of No Significant Impact may be made.

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