

Request for Waiver of Housing Directive

U.S. Department of Housing
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Office of Housing
Federal Housing Commissioner

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1. Field Office Office of Single Family Program Development	2. Program and DAS (e.g., multifamily development) Office of Single Family Housing
3. Waiver Requested by (person, entity, HUD employee) Barbara Leslie, Acting Director, Home Mortgage Insurance Division	
4. Waiver Item (directive number, date, page, paragraph, etc.) Handbook 4000.1, Section II.A.7.c Relief Sought A temporary waiver of the requirement that all properties with pending mortgages or endorsements in areas under a Presidentially-Declared Major Disaster Areas (PMDMA) designated for individual assistance must have a damage inspection report that identifies and quantifies any dwelling damage. This waiver will apply to a PDMDA associated with the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Under the Handbook, FHA Roster Appraiser's must complete the damage inspection report on properties with pending mortgages or endorsements in areas under a PDMDA.	
5. Did a check of SharePoint indicate Prior Approval of a factually similar waiver? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (skip No. 6) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (go to No. 6)	If previously approved, give Counsel's name and date of approval.
6. Counsel Determination. The Waiver Proposal does not conflict <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> conflicts <input type="checkbox"/> with statutory or regulatory provisions (cite rule or provision)	

Counsel (signature) Sherece Tolbert	Digitally signed by Sherece Tolbert Date: 2020.03.26 17:15:21 -04'00'	Date
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7. Employee Justification (attach additional pages if necessary)

This temporary waiver of the required damage inspection report is being issued due to the nature of the Disaster declaration. Because the declaration is the result of public health concerns around the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and not associated with a disaster that may lead to property damage, the need for additional inspections is not warranted.

This waiver will facilitate the efficient endorsement of mortgages in areas under a COVID-19 PDMDA. This waiver does not affect mortgagees' obligations to exercise prudent lending practices and ensure that mortgages they submit for endorsement fully comply with FHA's property eligibility requirements.

Field Office Concurrence

Name Kevin Stevens	Title Acting Director, Office of Single Family Program Dev.	Date
8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Granted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Granted	Housing Director (signature) KEVIN STEVENS	Date
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