HUD Region IX Environmental Training Introduction to Part 58 May 6, 2021 – 1 pm to 3 pm PDT

In accordance with health and safety protocols associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, the HUD Region IX Office of Environment and Energy (OEE) will delivery free, live, on-line training for the remainder of the 2021. Region IX OEE will offer a series of trainings on individual topics throughout the year. A tentative list of subjects includes an Introduction to Part 58, HEROS for Part 58, HEROS for Part 50, Determining the Level of NEPA Review, Tiered Reviews, Phase I Environmental Site Assessments, the Part 55 Eight-Step Process, and Estimating Air Emissions for Clean Air Act Compliance. Each session will be advertised approximately 1 month in advance.

The first session, an introduction to HUD's Part 58 environmental review regulations, will be May 6, 2021, from 1 pm to 3 pm PDT. This course will provide overviews of the Responsible Entity's obligations, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the 24 CFR 58.5 - 58.6 laws and authorities. Ideal candidates for this training include staff new to positions requiring knowledge of the Part 58 environmental review process and senior management (including Certifying Officers, PHA executives, and program office directors). Because of the introductory nature of this course, it is not recommended for individuals who prepare environmental reviews pursuant to 24 CFR 58 or have already taken more advanced Part 58 training.

To register for this training, please visit

http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&eventId=4064&up date=N. Registration will close April 28, 2021, or when 250 people have enrolled, whichever occurs first. Registrants will receive an email with information to access the meeting approximately 1 week prior to the event.

Microsoft Teams will be used for this training session. If you are not familiar with Teams and plan to join the training from work, please check with your IT department prior to the event to ensure that Teams is not blocked by your organization's firewall. Teams can be accessed through most web browsers, so there is no need to download software if you are not a Teams user.

For more advanced trainings, the recordings from the September 2020 Part 58 training sessions are still available. The attached email provides links for the eight sessions and the topics covered by each. Please note that the recordings will not play using Internet Explorer; most other popular web browsers are supported.

For additional information about this training session or future training opportunities, please contact your local Field Environmental Officer: <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/hud-environmental-staff-contacts/#region-ix-regional-and-field-environmental-officers</u>

Additional Environmental Training Resources:

Session 1 (Environmental Review Basics, National Environmental Policy Act/NEPA, 24 CFR Part 58: HUD's NEPA Regulations, Defining the Project): https://hud.adobeconnect.com/p4gw5crj5niy/.

Session 2 (Determining Level of NEPA Review: Exempt, CENST, CEST, EA, and EIS; Environmental Review Record): <u>https://hud.adobeconnect.com/p6p52ogevnjn/</u>

Session 3 (Noise Abatement and Control, Floodplain Management and Wetland Protection, Flood Insurance, Sole Source Aquifers): https://hud.adobeconnect.com/pkem3epudzzl/

Session 4 (Farmlands Protection, Explosive and Flammable Operations, Coastal Zone Management, Air Quality): <u>https://hud.adobeconnect.com/ph2ijozqz3bf/</u>

Session 5 (Historic Properties): https://hud.adobeconnect.com/pgt97slgavkz/

Session 6 (Wild and Scenic Rivers, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Endangered Species): <u>https://hud.adobeconnect.com/pw05skdbx5pn/</u>

Session 7 (Airport Hazards, Environmental Justice, Environmental Assessment Factors): <u>https://hud.adobeconnect.com/pusitcm38dp4/</u>. Note that the recording started a bit late. The recording begins a few slides into the Airport Hazards unit but still in the introductory materials.

Session 8 (Request for Release of Funds, Implementation and Mitigation, HUD's Environmental Review Online System/HEROS): https://hud.adobeconnect.com/p95xp661rxl5/