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| **Guide for Review of a HUD-Approved**  **Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)** | | | | |
| **Name of Grantee:** | | | | |
| **Staff Consulted:** | | | | |
| **Name of NRSA:** | | **Date of HUD Approval:** | | |
| **Five Year Period of Time Covered by Approved NRSA Strategy:** | | | | |
| **Name(s) of Reviewer(s)** |  | | **Date** |  |

**NOTE:** All questions that address requirements contain the citation for the source of the requirement (statute, regulation, NOFA, grant agreement.). If the requirement is not met, HUD must make a finding of noncompliance. All other questions (questions that do not contain the citation for the requirement) do not address requirements, but are included to assist the reviewer in understanding the participant's program more fully and/or to identify issues that, if not properly addressed, could result in deficient performance. Negative conclusions to these questions may result in a "concern" being raised, but not a **"finding.**"

**Instructions:** Use this Exhibit to monitor the grantee’s Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA). Program requirements regarding NRSAs are contained at 24 CFR 91.215(g) and in Notice CPD-16-16, *Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs) in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program*. This Exhibit is for the review of entitlement grantees and should not be used for State CDBG Community Revitalization Strategies. The HUD reviewer is required to examine the grantee’s HUD-approved NRSA Strategy and associated Consolidated Plan before conducting this review. The HUD reviewer should use the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) PR14 Report: CDBG, CDFI and NRSA Activities, the PR84 Report: CDBG Strategy Area, CDFI and Local Target Area Report, and the grantee’s Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report(s) (CAPER) and Annual Action Plan(s) when conducting this review. This Exhibit is to be used in conjunction with the eligibility and national objective Exhibits for activities undertaken in the NRSA. One Exhibit is to be completed for each NRSA monitored.

**Questions:**

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| a. Has the grantee received from HUD separate written approval for each NRSA, either as part of, or separately from, the Consolidated Plan approval process? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |
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| b. What is the approved start date of the NRSA? Are NRSA activities being undertaken within the operational term of the NRSA (maximum five (5) year operational period)? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| c. Are the NRSA boundaries contiguous with or within other pre-approved place-based planning areas as stated in CPD Notice 16-16? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| a. Has the grantee continued to identify and involve stakeholders? Are stakeholders made aware of the NRSA’s progress, planned activities and new investments that may be taking place in the neighborhood or its periphery? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | | |
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| b. Do the stakeholders identified as involved include:   * Affected residents of the proposed NRSA? * Affected public and assisted housing residents? * Owners and operators of businesses? * Financial institutions? * Community-based development organizations (CBDOs)? * Nonprofit organizations? * Community groups in or that serve the neighborhood? | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | | |
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| c. Have public hearings been held at least annually regarding the NRSA? | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | | |
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| a. Is the grantee accurately identifying in IDIS activities that are being carried out in an NRSA?  [24 CFR 570.507(d)] | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| b. Is the grantee developing housing based upon its approved NRSA strategy? Review the originally proposed goals and activities identified for housing against the accomplishments reported in the PR84 Report, IDIS accomplishment detail screens, and in the CAPER(s). | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| c. Is the grantee creating/retaining jobs based upon its approved NRSA strategy? Review the originally proposed goals and activities identified for economic opportunities against the accomplishments reported in the PR84 Report, IDIS accomplishment detail screens, and in the CAPER(s). | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| d. Is the grantee providing employment opportunities to the targeted population(s) it identified within the NRSAs? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| e. Is the grantee providing the supportive services it identified for the NRSA? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| f. Has the grantee ensured that its CDBG funds are spent in the NRSA in coordination with other public and private resources? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |

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| Note and describe below which of the following incentives the grantee has taken advantage of in implementing its Strategy:   * Job creation/retention as a low- and moderate-income area benefit? * Aggregation of housing units? * Aggregate public benefit standard exemption? * Public service cap exemption by CBDOs? |
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| Is the grantee accurately reporting the incentives it is using in IDIS and in the PR26 Report?  [24 CFR 570.507(d)] | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |

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| a. Has the grantee documented leveraged resources received and used to support the NRSA, in addition to HUD grant funds? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| b. Are the leveraged resources documented as cash and/or in-kind resources in the CAPER and in IDIS? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| Is the grantee annually reporting its progress in achieving the benchmarks at the end of each program year in the CAPER?  [24 CFR 570.507] | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| a. Is there any evidence that the grantee’s progress in implementing its NRSA is substantially lagging behind expected projections? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |

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| b. If HUD has suspended approval of this NRSA, is there any evidence that the grantee has continued to take advantage of the regulatory incentives during the period of suspension? If so, provide the regulatory incentive that the grantee is still taking advantage of and state whether the grantee is, therefore, violating a program requirement. Refer to CPD Notice 16-16 for the regulatory citations for all of the incentives and cite the appropriate regulation as a basis for any finding. Do not cite CPD Notice 16-16 as a basis for any finding. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |
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| If the Strategy has been amended, has the grantee met the criteria for the amendments? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
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| Is the grantee implementing its Strategy as approved by HUD and in accordance with civil rights-related program requirements? | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | |
| **Describe Basis for Conclusion:** | |