DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4434-N-04]

Notice of Obsolete Public Housing Documents

AGENCY: Office of Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of obsolete Public Housing documents pursuant to section 503(d) of the Public Housing Reform Act.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to publish a list of the documents issued or promulgated under the United States Housing Act of 1937 that are or will be obsolete because of the enactment of the Public Housing Reform Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rod Solomon, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Program and Legislative Initiatives, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Room 4116, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-0713. Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This list of documents relating to public housing and section 8 tenant-based assistance is published in accordance with section 503(d) of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (Title V of Pub.L. 105-276, 112 Stat. 2461, approved October 21, 1998) (Public Housing Reform Act). Section 503(d) requires the Secretary of HUD to publish in the Federal Register a list of all rules, regulations, and orders (including all handbooks, notices and related requirements) pertaining to public housing or section 8 tenant-based programs issued or promulgated under the United States Housing Act of 1937 before the date of the enactment of the Public Housing Reform Act that became or will become obsolete because of the enactment of the Public Housing Reform Act, or are otherwise obsolete.

A. Portions of the following regulations in title 24 of the CFR were made obsolete by the Public Housing Reform Act and have been or are being revised to reflect the changes:

Part 5—General HUD Program Requirements; Waivers.

Part 761—Drug Elimination Program.

Part 904—Low Rent Housing Homeownership Opportunities (Turnkey III)—obsolete except as to existing projects.

Part 906—Section 5(h) Homeownership Program—obsolete except as to existing projects.

Part 945—Designated Housing—obsolete; superseded by statutory changes made by the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996. Now being administered by Notice. The Public Housing Reform Act made a few changes.

Part 960—Administration to, and Occupancy of, Public Housing.

Part 964—Tenant Participation and Tenant Opportunities in Public Housing.

Part 965—PHA Owned or Leased Projects, General Provisions.

Part 966—Lease and Grievance Procedures.

Part 969—PHA-owned Projects, Continued Operation.

Part 970—Demolition or Disposition of Public Housing.

Part 982—Section 8 Tenant-based Assistance.

Part 984—Section 8 Tenant-Based Self-Sufficiency.

Part 985—Section 8 Management Assessment Program.

B. The Public Housing Reform Act also has the following effects:

Part 941 (Development) and Part 968 (Modernization), although made obsolete for future years, remain in effect pending issuance of final regulations to implement the Public Housing Reform Act changes. Once regulations for the Capital Fund are issued, Parts 941 and 968 will be discontinued. Part 969 (PHA-Owned
Projects—Continued Operation as Low-Income Housing After Completion of Debt Service also may be covered by the new Capital Fund regulation. Part 990, Annual Contributions for Operating Subsidy, remains in effect pending negotiated rulemaking on the Operating Fund and issuance of pertinent revisions to the regulations.

Handbooks

A. The following program handbooks, made obsolete by the Public Housing Reform Act, remain in effect but ultimately will be revised, replaced or eliminated:

1. 7417.1 Public Housing Development Handbook.
2. 7420.3 Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program.
3. 7420.6 Housing Assistance Payments Program Accounting.
4. 7420.6 Section 8 Rental Certificate, Rental Voucher and Moderate Rehabilitation.
5. 7430.1 Low-Income Leased Housing Handbook.
6. 7410.1 Public and Indian Housing Low-Rent Technical Accounting Guide.
7. 7460.5 Public Housing Management Assessment Program.
8. 7485.1 Public and Indian Housing Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program.
9. 7485.3 Public and Indian Housing Comprehensive Grant Program Handbook.
10. 7560.1 Public and Indian Housing Development and Modernization Fund.
11. 7465.1 Public Housing Occupancy Audit Handbook.
12. 7465.2 Public Housing Occupancy Reporting Handbook.

B. The Department, in its effort to simply program administration for its partners, previously discontinued the following handbooks:

1. 7401.1 Low-Rent Housing Administration of Programs Handbook.
2. 7401.2 Low-Rent Housing Administrative Practices Guide.
3. 7401.5 Low-Income Housing Property/Casualty Insurance Handbook.
4. 7401.7 Public Housing Agency Personnel Policies (Part I).
5. 7401.7 Public Housing Agency Personnel Policies (Part II).
7. 7430.1 Low-Rent Lease Housing Handbook.
8. 7460.5 The Public Housing Management Handbook.
11. 7475.2 Performance Funding System.
12. 7476.1 Audits of Public Housing Agencies and Indian Housing Authorities.
13. 7486.1 Public Housing Demolition, Disposition and Conversion.
14. 7495.3 Low-Rent Homeownership Opportunities Handbook.

Notices

Notices generally expire within a year from the date of issuance. Notices necessary for implementing changes made by the Public Housing Reform Act have been or will be issued and those made obsolete have expired. Program guides and documents are being revised as necessary or discontinued to meet the requirements of the Public Housing Reform Act.


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of an Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report and Receipt of an Application for an Incidental Take Permit for the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan in California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The San Joaquin Council of Governments has applied to the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The San Joaquin Council of Governments has applied on behalf of the cities of Escalon, Lathrop, Lodi, Manteca, Ripon, Stockton, and Tracy; San Joaquin County; the East Bay Municipal Utility District; California Department of Transportation-District 10 within San Joaquin County; San Joaquin Council of Governments; San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency; Stockton East Water District; and the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (applicants). The proposed permit would authorize incidental take of 16 federally listed species. The proposed taking of these species would be incidental to the implementation of the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan, which provides, in part, for the conversion of open space to non-open space uses. The proposed permit also would authorize future incidental take of 84 currently unlisted species, should any of them become listed under the Act during the life of the permit. The proposed permit duration is 50 years. The permit application, available for public review, includes a Habitat Conservation Plan (Plan) which describes the proposed program and mitigation, and the accompanying Implementing Agreement.

The Service also announces the availability of a joint draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (Impact Statement/Report) for the incidental take permit application. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing will be held November 9, 1999, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hutchens Street Square, 125 South Hutchens St., Lodi, California. For additional hearing information, contact Ms. Amy Augustine at (209) 532–7376. Oral and written comments will be received at the meeting.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Field Supervisor, Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, W–2605, Sacramento, California 95825. Written comments may be sent by facsimile to (916) 414–6711.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cay C. Go, Assistant Field Supervisor, at the above address, telephone (916) 414–6601.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Availability of Documents

Individuals wishing copies of the application, draft Impact Statement/Report, Plan, and Implementing Agreement for review should immediately contact the San Joaquin Council of Governments by telephone at (209) 468–3913 or by letter to the San Joaquin Council of Governments at 6 S. El Dorado St., Suite 400, Stockton, California 95202. Copies of the draft Impact Statement/Report, Plan, and Implementing Agreement also are