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TO: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees; All Other Stakeholders in FHA Transactions

NEWS AND UPDATES

FHA Publishes Project Approval for Single-Family Condominiums Proposed Rule in the Federal Register

Today, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) published a proposed rule in the *Federal Register* to solicit public comments on proposed requirements for condominium project approvals. The proposed rule, *Project Approval for Single-Family Condominiums* ([Docket No. FR-5715-P-01](#)), proposes requirements for condominium project approvals that FHA believes would be more flexible, less prescriptive, and more reflective of the current market.

FHA invites public comments on the entirety of today's proposed rule, which includes the following proposals:

- Providing flexibility for FHA to adjust requirements for condominium project approval occupancy and mixed-use space percentages, within the ranges set in the proposed rule;
- Allowing for Single-Unit condominiums to be approved for FHA-insured financing in condominium projects that have not been approved, with certain conditions;
- Extending the condominium project approval timeframe from two to three years; and
- Providing process efficiencies for mortgagees submitting project recertifications.

While the public comment period is open for 60 days, FHA encourages all interested parties to fully review the proposed rule **and submit comments as soon as feasible**. Comments must be submitted through the formal methods detailed in the proposed rule.

FHA's ultimate goal is to make it easier for FHA-approved mortgagees to originate condominium unit mortgages in approved condominium projects, while maintaining the necessary safeguards and monitoring that protect borrowers and FHA's Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund.

Quick Links

- Access the *Project Approval for Single-Family Condominiums* proposed rule on the *Federal Register* website at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/09/28/2016-23258/project-approval-for-single-family-condominiums>
 - Review HUD's condominium project approval proposed rule press release at: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2016/HUDNo_16-146
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Resources

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- Visit our online knowledge base to obtain answers to frequently asked questions 24/7 at: www.hud.gov/answers.
- E-mail the FHA Resource Center at: answers@hud.gov. Emails and phone messages will be responded to during normal hours of operation, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM (Eastern), Monday through Friday on all non-Federal holidays.
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