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# **Tiered Environment Review** for Activity/Project that is **Categorically Excluded Subject to Section 58.5** Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)

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Project Information			
Project Name:	47th-Year-2021-2022-Fisherman-of-Hope		
HEROS Number:	90000010188031		
Responsible Enti (RE):	EL PASO, City 1 - 300 N. Campbell El Paso TX, 79901		
State / Local Identifier:			
<b>RE Preparer:</b> Jo	o Ann Vera		
Certifying Officer:	Elda Rodriguez Hefner		
Grant Recipient ( Entity):	(if different than Responsible		
Point of Contact:	:		
Consultant (if applicable):			
Point of Contact	:		
Project Location:	El Paso, TX		
<b>Additional Locat</b> District 1 and Dis			
Direct Comment to:	s		

### Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

47th Year 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Volunteer Housing Rehabilitation Program: Fisherman of Hope, Hope is on the Rise 11220 Rojas Dr., B-4, El Paso, Texas 79935 (Admin) \*Fisherman of Hope Volunteer Housing Rehabilitation - The target clientele will assist elderly persons, severely disabled adults, the homeless, illiterate adults, and migrant workers in District #1 and District #8. CD funds will be used on 12 homes in District #1 and 12 homes in District #8. Improvements will be made to either build ADA ramps, replace or repair broken windows or broken doors. Paint exterior and interior of homes if needed. Provide space heaters and or portable fans according to the current climate when services are provided. Repair leaking faucets and toilets. Clean yards that do not meet city standards.

## Maps, photographs, and other documentation of project location and description:

District 8 Map.pdf District 1 Map.pdf

**Approximate size of the project** more than 1 square mile

area:

Length of time covered by this

1 Year

review:

Maximum number of dwelling units or lots addressed by this tiered review:

24

#### Level of Environmental Review Determination:

Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5: 58.35(a)(3)

		Extraordinary circumstances exist and this project may result in significant environmental		
impact. This project requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA		impact. This project requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA); OR		
	<b>✓</b>	There are no extraordinary circumstances which would require completion of an EA, and		
		this project may remain CEST.		

#### **Approval Documents:**

7015.15 certified by Certifying Officer

on:

7015.16 certified by Authorizing Officer

on:

47th-Year-2021-2022-Fisherman-of-Hope

**Estimated Total HUD Funded** 

# **Funding Information**

<b>Grant Number</b>	HUD Program	Program Name
	Community Planning and	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)
B-21-MC-48-0015	Development (CPD)	(Entitlement)

\$100,000.00

Amount:

Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) \$100,000.00 (5)]:

# Compliance with 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5 and §58.6 Laws and Authorities

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5, and §58.6	Was compliance achieved at the broad level of review?	Describe here compliance determinations made at the broad level and source documentation.
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORE	DERS, AND REGULATION	ONS LISTED AT 24 CFR §50.4 & § 58.6
Airport Hazards	☐ Yes ☑ No	
Coastal Barrier Resources Act	☑ Yes □ No	El Paso, Texas is not a coastal city. The nearest coastal barrier is 600 miles away. See Attachment 2.
Flood Insurance	☐ Yes ☑ No	
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORD	DERS, AND REGULATION	ONS LISTED AT 24 CFR §50.4 & § 58.5
Air Quality	☑ Yes □ No	Based on project description consisting of "minor" rehabilitation of existing residence there are no activities that require evaluation under the Clean Air Act.
Coastal Zone Management Act	☑ Yes □ No	El Paso, Texas is not a coastal city. The nearest coastal zone is 600 miles away. See Attachment 5.
Contamination and Toxic Substances	☐ Yes ☑ No	
Endangered Species Act	☑ Yes □ No	The project activities will consist of minor repairs to existing owner-occupied single-family homes with no ground disturbance. The project type will have no effect on listed species.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards	☑ Yes □ No	Project activities will consist of minor repairs to existing owner-occupied single-family homes and does not meet

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		the definition of HUD-assisted project for explosive hazards per 24 CFR Part 51.201. Therefore, the explosive hazard	
		regulations do not apply.	
Farmlands Protection	☑ Yes □ No	Proposed project does not meet	
		definition of prime and/or unique	
		farmlands. Minor rehabilitation project	
		activities of existing structures are	
		exempt from the FPPA per 7 CFR Part	
		658.3. See Attachment 9.	
Floodplain Management	☑ Yes □ No	Project activities will consist of minor	
		repairs/rehabilitation of existing owner-	
		occupied single-family residences and	
		meets the floodplain management	
		exception at 24 CFR Part 55.12 (b)(2).	
Historic Preservation	☐ Yes ☑ No		
Noise Abatement and Control	☐ Yes ☑ No		
Sole Source Aquifers	☑ Yes □ No	There is no sole source aquifer in El	
		Paso, Texas. See Attachment 13.	
Wetlands Protection	☑ Yes □ No	Based on project description no	
		activities would require further	
		evaluation under this section.	
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act	☑ Yes □ No	El Paso, Texas has no designated wild or	
		scenic rivers. These projects are not	
		within proximity of a NWSRS river. See	
		Attachment 15.	
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE			
Environmental Justice	☑ Yes □ No	Projects are single-family residences	
		and no disproportionate environmental	
		impact demonstrated.	

## **Supporting documentation**

Attachment 2 Coastal.pdf

Attachment 5 Coastal Zone.pdf

Attachment 9 Farmland.pdf

Attachment 13 Aquifers.pdf

Attachment 15 Wild River.pdf

## **Written Strategies**

The following strategies provide the policy, standard, or process to be followed in the site-specific review for each law, authority, and factor that will require completion of a site-specific review.

1		Airport Hazards
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		1. Using resource material NEPAssist Transportation Mapper: *Measure distance from property site to proximity to civilian and/or military airport runway zone. Within	
	15,000' Military Airport or 2,500' Civilian Airport Runway Zone 2. Determine if		
		within RPZ 3. Document project is a minor maintenance/rehabilitation of existing	
		residence. *Activity will not increase density or number of people at site. 4. Map	
showing site distance from Airport Runway Zone. *If within 2,500' CAP, map or			
		stating site not within designation *If within 15,000' MAP, map or letter stating site not	
		within designation 5. Document and map all findings, upload to HEROS.	
2		Flood Insurance	
		Using FEMA Map Service Center website http://msc.fema.gov 1. Property site is	
		entered and FEMA Map downloaded and designation is documented. 2. If property is	
		not in a flood zone, FEMA map is uploaded to HEROS ERR and documented in ERR. 3. If	
		property is designated, further review and documentation is required. Due to project	
		scope of work, it may be determined infeasible, removed from Rebuilding Together and	
		forwarded to City of El Paso Rehabilitation program.	
3		Contamination and Toxic Substances	
		1. Perform onsite inspection using Site-Specific Field Contamination Checklist and take	
		pictures. *Document property site be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic	
		chemicals and gases. 2. Using reference material NEPAssist EPA Facilities Mapper:	
		*Review databases maintained by U.S. EPA *Map showing site distances from	
		hazardous waste, air pollution, water dischargers, toxic releases, superfund,	
		brownfields, RAD Info and toxic substances control act areas. 3. Collect EPA reports and	
		document any violations. 4. Document any impact/determination/clean-up action to	
		proposed project site. 5. Documentation, maps and reports, upload to HEROS.	
4		Historic Preservation	
		Per Section 106 review property location, map site and take photos with scope of work;	
		submit with a written request for consultation to THC Texas Historical Commission	
		using eTRAC (electronic THC Review and Compliance) system to determine if property	
		is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Should SHPO/THC	
		conclude that subject actions will not affect property eligible for listing, then the	
		Section 106 Review concludes, response from SHPO/THC is uploaded to HEROS ERR and	
		copy placed in file. If structure is determined to be listed/eligible for listing in the	
		National Register, a Determination of Effect will be filed detailing proposed activities to	
		include plans, specs and photos of project.	
5		Noise Abatement and Control	

1. Using resource material NEPAssist Mapper: \* Measure distance from property site to Airport (within 15 miles) \*Measure distance from Railroad (within 3,000ft) \*Measure distance from Major Roadways with high vehicular noise levels (within 1,000ft) 2. Document distance by mapping and upload to HEROS. Should any of these measures exceed these limits, note conclusions. 3. Should from property site to Airport fall within 15 miles, contact Airport for noise contour information. 4. Should property site to Railroad fall within 3,000ft., document and use reference material website USDOT: http://safetydata.fra.dot.gov for Railroad crossing inventory information. 5. From property site to major roadways fall within 1,000ft, document and use reference material website TXDOT: http://safetydata.fra.dot.gov; gather information on future truck traffic, document. 6. Use HUD Environmental DNL Calculator to evaluate if site falls within normal standards not exceeding 65dB. Document and upload to HEROS ERR. Scope of work for minor rehabilitation project, noise is considered; however, noise attenuation is only encourage as program works with limited funding per project. If feasible, double pane windows and weather stripping/door replacement is used.

**Supporting documentation** 

<u>FIELD CONTAMINATION CHECKLIST\_R7-2012 (Draft).pdf</u> Site Specific Review Fisherman of Hope.pdf

**APPENDIX A: Site Specific Reviews** 



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Project Name:	47th-Year-2021-2022-Rebuild-Together-El-Paso	
HEROS Number:	90000010187998	
Responsible Enti (RE):	ty EL PASO, City 1 - 300 N. Campbell El Paso TX, 79901	
State / Local Identifier:		
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Point of Contact:	:	
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Project Location:	El Paso, TX	
Additional Location Information: District 1 and District 8		
Direct Comment to:	s	

### Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

47th Year 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Volunteer Housing Rehabilitation Project: Rebuilding Together El Paso, Inc. 6400 Airport Rd., Bldg. A, Suite G El Paso TX 79925 (Admin) - Rebuilding Together El Paso Volunteer Housing Rehabilitation - Will provide basic and necessary repairs to rejuvenate and/or rehabilitate the homes of El Paso's low income elderly and/or disabled homeowners. CD funds will be used on 17 homes in Representative District #1 and 17 homes in Representative District #8 targeted for this project. Repairs are made at no cost to the homeowner with hundreds of volunteers who do the majority of the work and donations of money and materials.

## Maps, photographs, and other documentation of project location and description:

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**Approximate size of the project** more than 1 square mile

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**Length of time covered by this** 1 Year

review:

Maximum number of dwelling units or lots addressed by this tiered review:

35

#### Level of Environmental Review Determination:

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#### **Determination:**

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		impact. This project requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA); OR		
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**Estimated Total HUD Funded** 

\$138,548.00

Amount:

Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) \$138,548.00

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Coastal Barrier Resources Act	☑ Yes □ No	No Coastal Barriers in El Paso, Texas.
		Compliance based on location and
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Flood Insurance	☐ Yes ☑ No	
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Explosive and Flammable Hazards	☑ Yes □ No	Project activities will consist of minor repairs to existing owner-occupied single-family homes and does not meet the definition of HUD-assisted project

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		for explosive hazards per 24 CFR Part 51.201. Therefore, the explosive hazard	
		regulations do not apply.	
Farmlands Protection	☑ Yes □ No	Proposed project does not meet	
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Historic Preservation	☐ Yes ☑ No		
Noise Abatement and Control	☐ Yes ☑ No		
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3	Contamination and Toxic Substances
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	pictures. *Document property site be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic
	chemicals and gases within 1 mile of site. 2. Using reference material NEPAssist EPA
	Facilities Mapper: *Review databases maintained by U.S. EPA *Map showing site
	distances from hazardous waste, air pollution, water dischargers, toxic releases,
	superfund, brownfields, RADInfo and toxic substances control act areas. 3. Collect EPA
	reports and document any violations. 4. Document any impact/determination/clean-up
	action to proposed project site. 5. Documentation, maps and reports, upload to HEROS.
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7	Using FEMA Map Service Center website http://msc.fema.gov 1. Property site is
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