



MEMORANDUM

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Date: 4/27/2020

To: Program File

From: Heather Lagrone, Sr. Deputy CDR

Subject: GLO HC HAP Program Waiver to Citizenship and Proof of Identity

The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has oversight responsibility for the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds allocated to Harris County (the County) for housing recovery efforts from the impacts of Hurricane Harvey. To ensure compliance with the timely expenditure requirements documented in the Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), signed on August 18, 2018, the GLO will begin concurrently administering the County's Harvey Homeowner Assistance Program (HC HAP) within Harris County. The GLO will administer the program in accordance with Harris County's HAP policies and procedures to the greatest extent feasible however, to expedite assistance to those impacted and still awaiting assistance the GLO is adopting certain streamlined and simplified policies from the GLO's Homeowner Assistance Program (HAP) and Harvey Housing Guidelines. Program wide waivers will be processed via memorandum to file and applicant specific waivers may also become necessary to provide clarification to guidelines and waivers will be applied where necessary to execute the program effectively.

The GLO waives the County's HAP citizenship requirement for the HC HAP applicants being served by GLO. This waiver will allow the program to serve more property owners and align with the GLO's HAP proof of identity requirement and HAP eligibility requirements.

This waiver will be applicable to all applicants participating in HC HAP administered by the GLO.