

Environmental Assessment Environmental Review Checklist

General Information	 Verify project activities are an EA under <u>24 CFR 58.36</u>. Ensure "No" work has started and/or funds committed on the project? (Includes all portions of a project whether funded with HUD or non- HUD funds) Funding amounts indicated? Forms and information are located on the <u>DEO environmental website</u>. Verify the <u>Certificate of Categorical Exclusion</u> for HUD funded projects have been submitted to DEO. Verify the Certifying Officer (e.g. Mayor or Chairman) sections have been completed to include signature, printed name and date for the following: Statutory Worksheet. Documentation of Compliance with 24 CFR Part 58.6 (a-d). Request for Release of Funds and Certification (7015.15). If applicable, Delegation of Signature Authority to be provided when above documents are not signed by the Certifying Officer. HUD worksheets are located on the <u>HUD Exchange website</u>. <u>Note</u>: there are two forms: (i) an Agency worksheet to be completed by consultants. Submit all relevant documentation for each Compliance Factor. Verify all forms are filled out and review is complete? All maps, pictures, etc. are to be in color. Maps include the project location(s). Label all attachments (e.g. Attachment A, Attachment B, etc) After the review has been submitted, all email correspondence with DEO should occur on the original email chain.
Contacting Agencies	 Ensure the project appropriate federal, state and local agencies are contacted (e.g. SHPO, THPO, Clearinghouse, EPA, FWS, Water Management, Regional Planning Councils, etc.) Include the following documentation: Include the following documentation: Initial correspondence letters and/or emails (agency letterhead / emails) Attachments or enclosed documents stated in the initial correspondence letter? Tracking information (USPS, FedEx, UPS, read and/or delivery receipts) Timeframes: Initial letters / emails to an agency: Initial letters / emails to an agency:

	□ Correspondence / response from the agency
	□ Special conditions / mitigation requirements
	\Box Include all notes, letters, emails and reports
Submit the review in the	□ Cover letter (if applicable)
following order:	Pictures of the project activities
	Statutory Worksheet
	Documentation of Compliance with 24 CFR Part 58.6 (a-d)
	□ All relevant documentation for each Compliance Factor should be in
	order as listed below.
	\Box Attachments?
	Certifying Officer signs verifying the project meets the requirement of
	either a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or Finding of Significant Impact (FOSI).
	Note: FOSI determination requires an Environmental Impact Statement
	□ <u>Concurrent / FONSI</u> public notice.
	<u>Note</u> : notice may not be published/posted until after the C.O.
	certification.
	□ (7015.15).
	<u>Note</u> : may only be signed by the C.O. after the Concurrent / FONSI
	public comment period expires.
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Historic Preservation,	 HUD Historical Preservation worksheet completed? If applicable:
Clearinghouse and Tribal Lands	 If applicable: See <u>36 CFR Part 800</u> and <u>HUD Notice CPD 12-006</u>. Only the RE
Thibal Lanus	may initially contact SHPO and the Native American tribes. SHPO
National Historic	and THPO will acknowledge if consultants assisting the RE may
Preservation Act of	continue with the consultation process after the initial contact.
1966, particularly	Property appraiser information.
sections 106 and 110;	Historical district maps, if applicable.
36 CFR Part 800	
	 If <u>SHPO</u> contacted: Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process
	for contacting SHPO.
	□ Consultation with the <u>Compliance and Review</u> section should
	include the following and provided within the SSERC:
	Detailed description of the proposed activity
	Projects immediate surroundings? Historic district,
	neighborhood, buildings, etc.
	□ <u>Florida Master Site File</u> (this document is not a clearance from
	SHPO)
	Photographs Historical events
	□ If THPO contacted:
	□ Refer to the <u>Tribal Directory Assessment Tool</u> (TDAT) for
	tribal contact information based on the project location activities.
	\Box Copy of TDAT included in the review.
	□ Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process
	for contacting THPO.
	\Box Letter on RE letterhead, indicate 30-days to respond from
	date of receipt and signed by RE.

 Have all tribal contacts for each tribe have been notified? Email sent by RE to include above letter as an attachment. Detailed description of the project activities. Maps (e.g. service areas; topographic) SHPO response (if previously received); Area of Potential Effect (APE) Surveys (e.g. Cultural Resource Survey; historic properties). All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review.
 Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
 HUD Floodplain worksheet completed? FEMA FIRM map provided to include the "effective date" and "project location" indicated on the map. If applicable: Complete the <u>8-step Decision Making</u> process under <u>24 CFR 55.20</u>. Copy of Floodplain notices provided to FEMA at: <u>FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov</u> Community is a participant in the <u>National Flood Insurance Program</u> (NFIP) Agencies contacted? (e.g. FEMA, Water Management Districts, Regional Planning Councils) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process for when agencies are contacted. <u>Note</u>: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is excluded from notification of the Floodplain notices. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
□ HUD Wetland worksheet completed?
 Wetland map with project location <u>National Wetlands Inventory</u> website Ensure the U.S. FWS wetland map includes the "effective date" and "project location". If applicable, see 24 CFR 55.20 and Floodplain Management regarding the 8-step Decision Making process. Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. EPA) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. <u>Note</u>: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is excluded from notification of the Wetland notices. Copy of Wetland notices provided to FEMA at: <u>FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov</u> All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met?

Coastal Zone Management Act Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	 HUD Coastal Zone worksheet completed? Agencies contacted? (e.g. Florida State Clearinghouse) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. 45-60 day comment period provided? Permits required?
	 All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149	 HUD Sole Source worksheet completed? <u>Sole Source Aquifer</u> map provided with project location? If applicable for projects located within or close proximity to a Sole Source Aquifer: See the U.S. EPA Region 4 "<u>Memorandum of Understanding</u>" Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. EPA) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
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Endangered Species Act Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402	 HUD Endangered Species worksheet completed? If applicable: Complete the U.S. FWS Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) report Include the U.S. FWS Clearance letter dated October 2016 Is a Biological Assessment required? When Section 7 (formal) consultation is required, provide to the U.S. FWS: An affects determination for species that may occur within the proposed project footprint. Copy of the Biological Assessment. Project description. Description and map of the action area. Protected resources that may be present. Description of how the action may affect each protected resource. Section 7 findings for all protected resources.
	 Bald Eagles: Florida Audubon Eagle Nest App Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission bald eagle nest locator website Site to be used for historical purposes only Questions to consider: Is there a nest within a 1-mile radius of the project.or activity? Are nest visible from the project or activity area? Are nest located within 660 feet of project? If yes to any of the above, refer to the Eagle Technical

	 Assistance <u>website</u> Complete the Construction or Development Activities section. If guidelines are met, print the Final Determination page. If guidelines cannot be met, visit the eagle permit application page. Provide copy of the eagle permit.
	 Florida Natural Areas Inventory list website. (Includes the State list of rare species and natural communities)
	 All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)	 HUD WSR worksheet completed? Wild & Scenic Rivers map with project location in ERR. To locate WSR, click on "State of Florida" map or choose from list. Include maps and information for Loxahatchee & Wekiva Rivers: Loxahatchee River Wekiva River Nationwide Rivers Inventory list in ERR. To locate the NRI list, click on "Find Data", then State of Florida on U.S. map. Are there project impacts to designated rivers & river segments? Adverse effects? Project located within 1-mile of a WSR or rivers indicated on the NRI list. Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Natural Wild & Scenic Rivers) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Clean Air / Air Quality Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	 HUD Clean Air/Air Quality worksheet completed? <u>Clean Air map</u> with project location in ERR. Project located in a county designated "Nonattainment" or "Maintenance". If applicable, air pollution information: <u>Air pollution reports</u> located on U.S. EPA website "Green Book National Area and County-Level Multi-Pollutant Information" Project located in a county with National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) pollutants? Yes, provide the following:

	 County information Criteria Pollutants Status Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. EPA) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Farmlands Protection	□ HUD Farmland Protection worksheet completed?
Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	 If applicable: Web soil map from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey website: Include: project location Soil information Project affect Prime farmland, Unique farmland or farmland of statewide importance? (Refer to the "Soil Reports" tab) Will project convert Prime, Unique or farmland of statewide importance? Farmland Conversion Impact Rating form completed? Agencies contacted? (e.g. USDA NRCS) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted.
	 All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898	 HUD Environmental Justice worksheet completed? Will the project involve Adverse Environmental Impacts to any of the compliance factors? Mitigation required? Steps taken to involve the public? All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Noise Abatement and Control Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B	 HUD Noise Abatement and Control worksheet completed? Steps taken to reduce noise during construction? Agencies contacted? (e.g. Florida DOT) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?

Explosive and Flammable Hazards Above-Ground Tanks [24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	 HUD Explosive and Flammable Hazards worksheet completed? If applicable: Refer to <u>24 CFR Part 51, Subpart C</u> Agencies contacted? Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Hazardous, Toxic or Radioactive Materials & Substances 24 CFR 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)]	 HUD's Hazardous and Toxic worksheet completed? U.S. EPA NEPAssist website Provide the following: map of all EPA facilities within 3,000' of the project location. ECHO reports for each EPA facility. Additional reports? (e.g. toxic discharge) Brownfields? Provide clearance information (contact U.S. EPA, FDEP, CLM, Phase I/II reports) Contamination Locator Map (CLM) contaminants/facilities within a ½ mile radius from the project? provide clearance documentation for each contaminant/facility. Will contaminants pose a risk to workers? Mitigation required? If yes, provide documentation. Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. EPA, Florida DEP) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Airport Hazards (Runway Clear Zone) Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	 HUD's Airport Hazards worksheet completed? If applicable: Project located within 2,500' of a civilian airport? Project located within 15,000' of a military airport? Project located within 15,000' of a military airport? Project located? (e.g. U.S. EPA, Florida DEP) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?

Coastal Barrier	
Resources Act	□ HUD Coastal Barrier Resource System worksheet completed?
Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	 Is the project located in a <u>Coastal Barrier Resource System</u>? (e.g. only specific types of projects may be performed in a CBRS) Coastal Zone map provided. Agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. EPA, Florida DEP) Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted.
	 All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001- 4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	 If applicable: HUD's flood insurance worksheet completed. provide copy of flood insurance information. agencies contacted? (e.g. U.S. EPA, Florida DEP) refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. All documentation for this compliance factor included in the review. Compliance has been met? Mitigation required?
NEPA	□ Evaluate the qualitative and quantitative significance of the effects of
24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 & 1508.27	 Livia date the qualitative and qualitative significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area. Enter relevant base data and verifiable source determination to support the finding. Enter the appropriate code from the following list to make a determination of impact. Impact codes: 0 – Not Applicable 1 - No impact anticipated 2 - Minor beneficial impact 3 - Minor adverse impact 4 - Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance Or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement Agencies contacted? Refer to "Contacting Agencies" section to document the process when agencies are contacted. <i>Note:</i> to clear the factors below, may need to utilize the project engineer and correspondence to multiple agencies.
	 Review should include: all correspondence and documentation (remember to include phone conversations). indicate conditions or mitigation measures required. contact information: name, title, date of contact, phone number, and email information.

	\Box reference the page / attachment
	 Environmental Assessment Factors: Land Development: Conformance with plans / compatible land use and zoning / scale and urban design. Soil suitability / slope / erosion / drainage / storm water runoff. Hazards and nuisances including site safety and noise. Energy consumption. Socioeconomic: Employment and income patterns Demographic character changes, displacement Community Facilities and Services Educational and cultural facilities Commercial facilities Health care and social services Solid waste disposal / recycling Waste water / sanitary sewers Water supply Public safety – police, fire, and emergency medical Parks, open space and recreation Transportation and accessibility Natural Features Water Resources Surface Water Unique natural features, water resources Vegetation, wildlife Other factors
	 Additional studies performed. Field inspection (date and completed by). List of sources, agencies and persons consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]. List of permits obtained. Public outreach [24 CFR 58.43] Cumulative impact analysis [24 CFR 58.32] Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9] No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)] Summary of Findings and Conclusions [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9]
Floodplain Notices	 Early Floodplain/Wetland Notice Title must include it is for the "Early Floodplain" notice. Correct dates are indicated (e.g. date of publication; public comment end date). provide a legible copy of the notice. Notice published in a news medium (<i>may not be posted</i>) Provide a notarized statement from news medium verifying date of publication. Federal, state, and local agencies were provided a copy of the notice at the time of publication in order to comment (see 24 CFR 55.20, Step 2). Document in the 8-step document. 15-day (+1) comment period provided.
	\Box If applicable, include all public comments and agency responses.

	□ <u>Final Floodplain/Wetland Notice</u>
	 Title must include it is for the "Final Floodplain" notice Correct dates indicated (e.g. date or publication; public comment end
	date). □ Provide a legible copy of the notice.
	□ Provide a legible copy of the notice. □ Notice published in a news medium (<i>may not be posted</i>)
	provide notarized statement from news medium verifying date of Publication.
	\Box Federal, state, and local agencies were provided a copy of the notice
	at the time of publication in order to comment (see 24 CFR 55.20,
	Step 2). Document in the 8-step document. \Box 7 day (11) comment paried provided
	 □ 7-day (+1) comment period provided. □ If applicable, include all public comments and agency responses.
Concurrent / FONSI	☐ Finding of No Significant Impact / Notice of Intent to Request a
Public Notice	Release of Funds (<u>Concurrent / FONSI</u>) Notice:
	□ Notice published in a news medium:
	Correct dates are indicated (e.g. date of publication; public
	comment end date).
	\Box Provide a legible copy.
	Notarized statement from the news medium(s) verifying the date of Publication.
	□ 15-day (+1) comment period provided.
	□ Agencies provided a copy of the notice informing of the FONSI
	determination? □ Note: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is excluded from notification
	of the FONSI notice.
	□ Notice posted:
	□ Posted in multiple locations throughout the affected community
	 (e.g. community centers, post office, public/government buildings). □ Notarized statement for each location notice posted including
	date posted. □ Pictures of each location notice was posted.
	\Box 18-day (+1) comment period provided.
	Agencies provided a copy of the notice informing of the FONSI determination?
	Note: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is excluded from notification of the FONSI notice.
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Release of Funds	Current HUD Request for Release of Funds and Certification form
(7015.15)	(8/31/2023) provided.
	□ All appropriate sections are complete, to include:
	□ grant number.
	□ agency information
	□ Project description (include all HUD and non-HUD funding amounts)
	□ Appropriate box checked on page 2
	□ Verify the project "did" or "did not" require an EIS?
	□ Certifying Officer or Designee signature, printed name and date
	signed.
	☐ If applicable:
	provide Delegation of Signature Authority.