Environmental Assessment
Determinations and Compliance Findings
for HUD-assisted Projects
24 CFR Part 58

Project Information

Project Name: Horse-n-Hound-Food-Bank-Conversion-and-Expansion

HEROS Number: 900000010191192

Responsible Entity (RE): LAS CRUCES, P.O. BOX CLC LAS CRUCES NM, 88004

RE Preparer: Raymond Burchfield

State / Local Identifier: CLC

Certifying Officer: Eric Enriquez

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity):

Point of Contact:

Consultant (if applicable): Zia Engineering

Point of Contact: Victor Gibbs

Project Location: 991 W Amador Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005

Additional Location Information: N/A

Direct Comments to:
**Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:**
The Horse n Hound property, at 991 W. Amador Ave., in the City of Las Cruces was recently purchased by the City for the purpose of converting it into a bigger, better storage and distribution center for Casa de Peregrinos (CdP). CdP operates the largest food bank in Las Cruces. This property currently includes two buildings; one a retail store, and the back building is a storage shed used for animal feed. The property will go through substantial remodeling and expansion for long term use by CdP to qualify individuals, and store and distribute ever growing amounts of food to those in need in the City of Las Cruces.

**Statement of Purpose and Need for the Proposal [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:**
The problem of hunger in the City of Las Cruces is increasing. The current facility for Casa de Peregrinos is at capacity. When this adjacent property became available it was a no-brainer. This project will repurpose the former Horse n Hound retail store into a bigger and better Casa de Peregrinos Food Bank. It will have more storage, both dry and cold. It will also have facilities for nutritional training and cooking.

**Existing Conditions and Trends [24 CFR 58.40(a)]:**
The current project site is heavily disturbed and contains two existing buildings and asphalt parking lot. It sits in a location that is surrounded by the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope (MVCH) Homeless services Center. This alliance of non-profit agencies includes the Amador Health Center (formerly St. Luke’s Healthcare clinic), El Caldito Soup Kitchen, Jardín de Los Ninos childcare facility, the MVCH day shelter for various services for homeless and near homeless persons, and the existing Casa de Peregrinos Food Bank. This acquisition and conversion of the Horse n Hound retail store to the new food bank will enhance services for the food bank and allow for expansion of the MVCH day shelter.

**Maps, photographs, and other documentation of project location and description:**
Street MAP 991 W Amador.pdf
MAP 991 W Amador.pdf

**Determination:**

| ✓ | Finding of No Significant Impact [24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.13] The project will not result in a significant impact on the quality of human environment |

**Approval Documents:**

**7015.15 certified by Certifying Officer on:**

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7015.16 certified by Authorizing Officer on:

**Funding Information**

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<th>Grant / Project Identification Number</th>
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<td>B-19-MC-35-0002</td>
<td>Community Planning and Development (CPD)</td>
<td>Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) (Entitlement)</td>
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**Estimated Total HUD Funded, Assisted or Insured Amount:** $350,000.00

**Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) (5)]:** $6,000,000.00

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

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<th>Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §50.4, §58.5, and §58.6</th>
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<td>Airport Hazards Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D</td>
<td>□ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>The project site is not within 15,000 feet of a military airport or 2,500 feet of a civilian airport. The project is in compliance with Airport Hazards requirements.</td>
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<td>Coastal Barrier Resources Act Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]</td>
<td>□ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>This project is located in a state that does not contain CBRS units. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.</td>
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<td>Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance</td>
<td>□ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>The structure or insurable property is not located in a FEMA-designated Special Flood Hazard Area. While flood</td>
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Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a] | insurance may not be mandatory in this instance, HUD recommends that all insurable structures maintain flood insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The project is in compliance with flood insurance requirements.

**STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR §50.4 & § 58.5**

**Air Quality**  
Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
The project’s county or air quality management district is in attainment status for all criteria pollutants. The project is in compliance with the Clean Air Act.

**Coastal Zone Management Act**  
Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
This project is located in a state that does not participate in the Coastal Zone Management Program. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act.

**Contamination and Toxic Substances**  
24 CFR 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)]  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
Site contamination was evaluated as follows: ASTM Phase I ESA. On-site or nearby toxic, hazardous, or radioactive substances that could affect the health and safety of project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property were not found. The project is in compliance with contamination and toxic substances requirements.

**Endangered Species Act**  
Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
This project will have No Effect on listed species because there are no listed species or designated critical habitats in the action area. This project is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act.

**Explosive and Flammable Hazards**  
Above-Ground Tanks)(24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
Based on the project description the project includes no activities that would require further evaluation under this section. The project is in compliance with explosive and flammable hazard requirements.

**Farmlands Protection**  
Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658  
☐ Yes ☑ No  
This project does not include any activities that could potentially convert agricultural land to a non-agricultural use. The project is in compliance with the Farmland Protection Policy Act.
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<td><strong>Floodplain Management</strong></td>
<td>Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>This project does not occur in a floodplain. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 11988.</td>
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<td><strong>Historic Preservation</strong></td>
<td>National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>Based on Section 106 consultation there are No Historic Properties Affected because there are no historic properties present. The project is in compliance with Section 106.</td>
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<td><strong>Noise Abatement and Control</strong></td>
<td>Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>Based on the project description, this project includes no activities that would require further evaluation under HUD's noise regulation. The project is in compliance with HUD's Noise regulation.</td>
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<td><strong>Sole Source Aquifers</strong></td>
<td>Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>Based on the project description, the project consists of activities that are unlikely to have an adverse impact on groundwater resources. The project is in compliance with Sole Source Aquifer requirements.</td>
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<td><strong>Wetlands Protection</strong></td>
<td>Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>The project will not impact on- or off-site wetlands. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 11990.</td>
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<td><strong>Wild and Scenic Rivers Act</strong></td>
<td>Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)</td>
<td>☐ Yes ☑ No</td>
<td>This project is not within proximity of a NWSRS river. The project is in compliance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.</td>
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**HUD HOUSING ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

| Environmental Justice                      | Executive Order 12898                                                                 | ☐ Yes ☑ No                                | No adverse environmental impacts were identified in the project’s total environmental review. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 12898. |                                                                                 |

**Environmental Assessment Factors [24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 &1508.27]**

**Impact Codes**: An impact code from the following list has been used to make the determination of impact for each factor.

(1) Minor beneficial impact
(2) No impact anticipated
(3) Minor Adverse Impact – May require mitigation
(4) Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement.

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<td>Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The construction will comply with all applicable permits and zoning regulations stipulated by the City of Las Cruces.</td>
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<td>Soil Suitability / Slope / Erosion / Drainage and Storm Water Runoff</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The project will have no impact. The proposed project will make use of existing facilities. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Site-Generated Noise</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The proposed action is rehabilitation and repurpose of existing facilities, and will not introduce any hazards or nuisances. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Energy Consumption / Energy Efficiency</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Energy consumption associated with the proposed action will make use of energy saving materials and options. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Employment and Income Patterns</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>The purpose of the project is to help those with low income and those that may not have employment. The project will have a beneficial impact to the community.</td>
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<td>Demographic Character Changes / Displacement</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>The project will not negatively impact the local community. The proposed food bank will be beneficial to the community and will not displace individuals within the community.</td>
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<td>COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES</td>
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<td>Educational and Cultural Facilities (Access and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The schools and cultural facilities are not directly affected by the proposed project. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Commercial Facilities (Access and Proximity)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Commercial facilities in the immediate area may be impacted</td>
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<td>with the increase of individuals making use of the food bank. The project will have minor beneficial impact..</td>
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<td>Health Care / Social Services (Access and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Since the project is a social service to the area, social services will be positively impacted by the additional facility. There will be no significant impact to health care facilities.</td>
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<td>Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling (Feasibility and Capacity)</td>
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<td>The project will make use of the existing solid waste disposal and recycling services through the City of Las Cruces. The project will have no additional impact..</td>
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<td>Waste Water and Sanitary Sewers (Feasibility and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The project will make use of the existing waste water and sanitary sewer services through the City of Las Cruces. The project will have no additional impact.</td>
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<td>Water Supply (Feasibility and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The project will utilize the local water supply which will comply with the Water Plan for the area. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The project area is part of the City of Las Cruces which has access to the local police, fire and emergency facilities. These entities will not be significantly impacted. The project will have no impact.</td>
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<td>Parks, Open Space and Recreation (Access and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Since the proposed action is the creation of a food bank, parks and open spaces in the area will not be impacted.</td>
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<td>Transportation and Accessibility (Access and Capacity)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>The proposed action is making use of an existing building which already has accessibility from the roadway. There will be no significant impact to transportation and accessibility.</td>
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<td>NATURAL FEATURES</td>
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### Supporting documentation

**Additional Studies Performed:**
- Phase I ESA
- Biological Resources Survey
- Cultural Resources Survey
- Noise Assessment

**Field Inspection [Optional]:** Date and completed by:
- Raymond Burchfield
  - Date: 4/27/2021 12:00:00 AM

**List of Sources, Agencies and Persons Consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:**
- USFWS IPAC
- EPA Outdoor Air Quality Data
- BISON-M
- New Mexico Rare Plant Technical Council
- USDA Web Soil Survey
- National Wetland Inventory
- EPA Sole Source Aquifer
- National Wild and Scenic Rivers System
- FEMA Firmette
- EPA Environmental Justice Mapper
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Dona Ana County

**List of Permits Obtained:**
No permits have been obtained at the time of this report.

**Public Outreach [24 CFR 58.43]:**
Las Cruces Sun/News, Branigan Library. The purchase of the property was approved by City Council through Resolution No. 20-110 on March 2, 2020.
Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR 58.32]:
The proposed action does not anticipate any negative cumulative impacts. Positive cumulative impacts to the community are expected with the inclusion of a food bank to feed low income or unemployed citizens of the area.

Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9]
Only a No Action Alternative was considered.

No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)]
Under the no action alternative, the subject site will remain heavily disturbed and the existing facilities will remain vacant.

Summary of Findings and Conclusions:
The proposed action will not have significant impact on the reviewed resources. Those impacts that may occur will require the need to conduct the mitigation measures identified in the mitigation measures section. The completion of the mitigation measures will eliminate the potential impacts on the identified resources.

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [CFR 1505.2(c)]:
Summarized below are all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

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<td>Clean Air Act Measures</td>
<td>Will be made to reduce fugitive dust such as water suppression during construction.</td>
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<td>Migratory Birds</td>
<td>If construction was to take place during migratory bird nesting season and vegetation on the property was to grow dense, approximately March 1 September 30, a nesting bird survey is required by the USFWS prior to clearing vegetation.</td>
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Project Mitigation Plan
Law, Authority, or Factor: Mitigation Measure
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Supporting documentation on completed measures
APPENDIX A: Related Federal Laws and Authorities

Airport Hazards

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<td>It is HUD’s policy to apply standards to prevent incompatible development around civil airports and military airfields.</td>
<td>24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D</td>
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1. To ensure compatible land use development, you must determine your site’s proximity to civil and military airports. Is your project within 15,000 feet of a military airport or 2,500 feet of a civilian airport?

✓ No

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.
Document and upload the map showing that the site is not within the applicable distances to a military or civilian airport below

Yes

Screen Summary

Compliance Determination
The project site is not within 15,000 feet of a military airport or 2,500 feet of a civilian airport. The project is in compliance with Airport Hazards requirements.

Supporting documentation

Horse n Hound Airport Distance.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

Yes

✓ No
Coastal Barrier Resources

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<td>HUD financial assistance may not be used for most activities in units of the Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS). See 16 USC 3504 for limitations on federal expenditures affecting the CBRS.</td>
<td>Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) of 1982, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (16 USC 3501)</td>
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This project is located in a state that does not contain CBRA units. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.

Compliance Determination

This project is located in a state that does not contain CBRS units. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.

Supporting documentation

Coastal Area Map ADA.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

Yes

✓ No
Flood Insurance

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<td>Certain types of federal financial assistance may not be used in floodplains unless the community participates in National Flood Insurance Program and flood insurance is both obtained and maintained.</td>
<td>Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 as amended (42 USC 4001-4128)</td>
<td>24 CFR 50.4(b)(1) and 24 CFR 58.6(a) and (b); 24 CFR 55.1(b).</td>
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1. **Does this project involve financial assistance for construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of a mobile home, building, or insurable personal property?**

   No. This project does not require flood insurance or is excepted from flood insurance.

   ✓ Yes

2. **Upload a FEMA/FIRM map showing the site here:**

   [FM35013C1091G MVCH Campus.pdf](FM35013C1091G MVCH Campus.pdf)

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designates floodplains. The [FEMA Map Service Center](https://www.fema.gov/map-service-center) provides this information in the form of FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs). For projects in areas not mapped by FEMA, use the best available information to determine floodplain information. Include documentation, including a discussion of why this is the best available information for the site. Provide FEMA/FIRM floodplain zone designation, panel number, and date within your documentation.

**Is the structure, part of the structure, or insurable property located in a FEMA-designated Special Flood Hazard Area?**

✓ No

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.

Yes

**Screen Summary**

**Compliance Determination**
The structure or insurable property is not located in a FEMA-designated Special Flood Hazard Area. While flood insurance may not be mandatory in this instance, HUD recommends that all insurable structures maintain flood insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The project is in compliance with flood insurance requirements.

**Supporting documentation**

**Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?**

- Yes
- ✓ No
Air Quality

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<td>The Clean Air Act is administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which sets national standards on ambient pollutants. In addition, the Clean Air Act is administered by States, which must develop State Implementation Plans (SIPs) to regulate their state air quality. Projects funded by HUD must demonstrate that they conform to the appropriate SIP.</td>
<td>Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401 et seq.) as amended particularly Section 176(c) and (d) (42 USC 7506(c) and (d))</td>
<td>40 CFR Parts 6, 51 and 93</td>
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1. Does your project include new construction or conversion of land use facilitating the development of public, commercial, or industrial facilities OR five or more dwelling units?

✓ Yes

No

Air Quality Attainment Status of Project’s County or Air Quality Management District

2. Is your project’s air quality management district or county in non-attainment or maintenance status for any criteria pollutants?

✓ No, project’s county or air quality management district is in attainment status for all criteria pollutants.

Yes, project’s management district or county is in non-attainment or maintenance status for the following criteria pollutants (check all that apply):

Screen Summary

Compliance Determination
The project's county or air quality management district is in attainment status for all criteria pollutants. The project is in compliance with the Clean Air Act.

Supporting documentation
Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

✓ Yes

✓ No
**Coastal Zone Management Act**

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<td>Federal assistance to applicant agencies for activities affecting any coastal use or resource is granted only when such activities are consistent with federally approved State Coastal Zone Management Act Plans.</td>
<td>Coastal Zone Management Act (16 USC 1451-1464), particularly section 307(c) and (d) (16 USC 1456(c) and (d))</td>
<td>15 CFR Part 930</td>
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This project is located in a state that does not participate in the Coastal Zone Management Program. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act.

**Screen Summary**

**Compliance Determination**

This project is located in a state that does not participate in the Coastal Zone Management Program. Therefore, this project is in compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act.

**Supporting documentation**

Coastal Area Map ADA(1).pdf

**Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?**

Yes

✓ No
Contamination and Toxic Substances

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<td>It is HUD policy that all properties that are being proposed for use in HUD programs be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases, and radioactive substances, where a hazard could affect the health and safety of the occupants or conflict with the intended utilization of the property.</td>
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<td>24 CFR 58.5(i)(2)</td>
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<td>24 CFR 50.3(i)</td>
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1. **How was site contamination evaluated?** Select all that apply. Document and upload documentation and reports and evaluation explanation of site contamination below.

- [✓] American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)
- [✓] ASTM Phase II ESA
- [✓] Remediation or clean-up plan
- [✓] ASTM Vapor Encroachment Screening
- [ ] None of the Above

2. **Were any on-site or nearby toxic, hazardous, or radioactive substances found that could affect the health and safety of project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property?** (Were any recognized environmental conditions or RECs identified in a Phase I ESA and confirmed in a Phase II ESA?)

- [✓] No

**Explain:**
There are 4 possible REC's near the property per the Phase I for former auto repair sites. There were not any CERCLIS sites within 1/2 mile of the site. There are 16 old State sites that have been remediated and closed per the results of the Phase I ESA and pose no threat to the site.

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.

**Yes**

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**Screen Summary**
Compliance Determination

Site contamination was evaluated as follows: ASTM Phase I ESA. On-site or nearby toxic, hazardous, or radioactive substances that could affect the health and safety of project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property were not found. The project is in compliance with contamination and toxic substances requirements.

Supporting documentation

991 WAmador AAI ESA Report (20200220r).pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

✓ Yes

✓ No
Endangered Species

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<td>Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) mandates that federal agencies ensure that actions that they authorize, fund, or carry out shall not jeopardize the continued existence of federally listed plants and animals or result in the adverse modification or destruction of designated critical habitat. Where their actions may affect resources protected by the ESA, agencies must consult with the Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service (“FWS” and “NMFS” or “the Services”).</td>
<td>The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); particularly section 7 (16 USC 1536).</td>
<td>50 CFR Part 402</td>
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1. Does the project involve any activities that have the potential to affect species or habitats?

No, the project will have No Effect due to the nature of the activities involved in the project.

No, the project will have No Effect based on a letter of understanding, memorandum of agreement, programmatic agreement, or checklist provided by local HUD office

✓ Yes, the activities involved in the project have the potential to affect species and/or habitats.

2. Are federally listed species or designated critical habitats present in the action area?

✓ No, the project will have No Effect due to the absence of federally listed species and designated critical habitat

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section. Document and upload all documents used to make your determination below. Documentation may include letters from the Services, species lists from the Services’ websites, surveys or other documents and analysis showing that there are no species in the action area.

Yes, there are federally listed species or designated critical habitats present in the action area.
Screen Summary
Compliance Determination
This project will have No Effect on listed species because there are no listed species or designated critical habitats in the action area. This project is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act.

Supporting documentation

Bio Report Horse n Hound.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?
   Yes
   ✓  No
Explosive and Flammable Hazards

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<td>HUD-assisted projects must meet Acceptable Separation Distance (ASD) requirements to protect them from explosive and flammable hazards.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C</td>
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1. Is the proposed HUD-assisted project itself the development of a hazardous facility (a facility that mainly stores, handles or processes flammable or combustible chemicals such as bulk fuel storage facilities and refineries)?

✓ No

Yes

2. Does this project include any of the following activities: development, construction, rehabilitation that will increase residential densities, or conversion?

✓ No

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.

Yes

Screen Summary
Compliance Determination
Based on the project description the project includes no activities that would require further evaluation under this section. The project is in compliance with explosive and flammable hazard requirements.

Supporting documentation

991 WAmador AAI ESA Report (20200220r)(1).pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

Yes
✓ No
Farmlands Protection

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1. Does your project include any activities, including new construction, acquisition of undeveloped land or conversion, that could convert agricultural land to a non-agricultural use?

   Yes

   ✔ No

   If your project includes new construction, acquisition of undeveloped land or conversion, explain how you determined that agricultural land would not be converted:

   The lands last use was a retail establishment and is zoned C1. The adjacent Mesilla Valley Community of Hope Campus is an approved PUD Zone under City ordinance PUD 12-02.

   Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section. Document and upload all documents used to make your determination below.

Screen Summary

Compliance Determination

This project does not include any activities that could potentially convert agricultural land to a non-agricultural use. The project is in compliance with the Farmland Protection Policy Act.

Supporting documentation

MVCH PUD Zoning.pdf
HnH Zoning C1.pdf
Farmlands Backup docs.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

   Yes

   ✔ No
Floodplain Management

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<td>Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, requires federal activities to avoid impacts to floodplains and to avoid direct and indirect support of floodplain development to the extent practicable.</td>
<td>Executive Order 11988</td>
<td>24 CFR 55</td>
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1. Do any of the following exemptions apply? Select the applicable citation? [only one selection possible]

   - 55.12(c)(3)
   - 55.12(c)(4)
   - 55.12(c)(5)
   - 55.12(c)(6)
   - 55.12(c)(7)
   - 55.12(c)(8)
   - 55.12(c)(9)
   - 55.12(c)(10)
   - 55.12(c)(11)
   ✓ None of the above

2. Upload a FEMA/FIRM map showing the site here:

   [FM35013C1091G MVCH Campus.pdf](FM35013C1091G MVCH Campus.pdf)

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designates floodplains. The FEMA Map Service Center provides this information in the form of FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs). For projects in areas not mapped by FEMA, use the best available information to determine floodplain information. Include documentation, including a discussion of why this is the best available information for the site.

Does your project occur in a floodplain?

✓ No

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.
Screen Summary

Compliance Determination
This project does not occur in a floodplain. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 11988.

Supporting documentation

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

  Yes

✓ No
Historic Preservation

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<td>Regulations under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)</td>
<td>Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470f)</td>
<td>36 CFR 800 “Protection of Historic Properties”</td>
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<td>require a consultative process to identify historic properties, assess project impacts on them, and avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_10/36cfr800_10.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_10/36cfr800_10.html</a></td>
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Threshold

Is Section 106 review required for your project?

- No, because the project consists solely of activities listed as exempt in a Programmatic Agreement (PA). (See the PA Database to find applicable PAs.)
- No, because the project consists solely of activities included in a No Potential to Cause Effects memo or other determination [36 CFR 800.3(a)(1)].
- ✓ Yes, because the project includes activities with potential to cause effects (direct or indirect).

Step 1 – Initiate Consultation
Select all consulting parties below (check all that apply):

- ✓ State Historic Preservation Offer (SHPO) Completed

- ✓ Indian Tribes, including Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) or Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs)

- ✓ Comanche Nation Response Period Elapsed
- ✓ Fort Sill Apache Tribe Response Period Elapsed
Describe the process of selecting consulting parties and initiating consultation here:

From the State of NM SHPO list for the Las Cruces Area.

Document and upload all correspondence, notices and notes (including comments and objections received below).

Step 2 – Identify and Evaluate Historic Properties

1. Define the Area of Potential Effect (APE), either by entering the address(es) or uploading a map depicting the APE below:
   991 W. Amador Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005

In the chart below, list historic properties identified and evaluated in the APE. Every historic property that may be affected by the project should be included in the chart.

Upload the documentation (survey forms, Register nominations, concurrence(s) and/or objection(s), notes, and photos) that justify your National Register Status determination below.

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<th>National Register Status</th>
<th>SHPO Concurrence</th>
<th>Sensitive Information</th>
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Additional Notes:

2. Was a survey of historic buildings and/or archeological sites done as part of the project?

   Yes
Step 3 – Assess Effects of the Project on Historic Properties

Only properties that are listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places receive further consideration under Section 106. Assess the effect(s) of the project by applying the Criteria of Adverse Effect. (36 CFR 800.5) Consider direct and indirect effects as applicable as per guidance on direct and indirect effects.

Choose one of the findings below - No Historic Properties Affected, No Adverse Effect, or Adverse Effect; and seek concurrence from consulting parties.

✓ No Historic Properties Affected

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section. Document and upload concurrence(s) or objection(s) below.

Document reason for finding:

✓ No historic properties present.

Historic properties present, but project will have no effect upon them.

No Adverse Effect

Adverse Effect

Screen Summary
Compliance Determination
Based on Section 106 consultation there are No Historic Properties Affected because there are no historic properties present. The project is in compliance with Section 106.

Supporting documentation

YDSPueblo Response Horse n Hound.pdf
Fort Sill Apache Tribe Letter-Sec 106.pdf
SHPO Response-Horse n Hound.pdf
WMAP THPO Consultation Horse n Hound.pdf
Meskalero Apache Tribe Letter-Sec 106.pdf

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Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

✓ Yes

✓ No
Noise Abatement and Control

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<td>HUD’s noise regulations protect residential properties from excessive noise exposure. HUD encourages mitigation as appropriate.</td>
<td>Noise Control Act of 1972</td>
<td>Title 24 CFR 51 Subpart B</td>
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<td>General Services Administration Federal Management Circular 75-2: “Compatible Land Uses at Federal Airfields”</td>
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1. **What activities does your project involve? Check all that apply:**

   - New construction for residential use
   - Rehabilitation of an existing residential property
   - A research demonstration project which does not result in new construction or reconstruction
   - An interstate land sales registration
   - Any timely emergency assistance under disaster assistance provision or appropriations which are provided to save lives, protect property, protect public health and safety, remove debris and wreckage, or assistance that has the effect of restoring facilities substantially as they existed prior to the disaster
   - ▶️ None of the above

**Screen Summary**

**Compliance Determination**

Based on the project description, this project includes no activities that would require further evaluation under HUD's noise regulation. The project is in compliance with HUD's Noise regulation.

**Supporting documentation**

[Horse n Hound Noise Letter.pdf]
Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

- Yes

✓ No
Sole Source Aquifers

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<td>sole or principal drinking water source for an area and which, if contaminated, would</td>
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<td>create a significant hazard to public health.</td>
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1. Does the project consist solely of acquisition, leasing, or rehabilitation of an existing building(s)?
   ✓ Yes
   Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.
   No

**Screen Summary**

**Compliance Determination**

Based on the project description, the project consists of activities that are unlikely to have an adverse impact on groundwater resources. The project is in compliance with Sole Source Aquifer requirements.

**Supporting documentation**

- ssa r6.pdf
- R6SSA AZ.pdf

**Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?**

Yes

✓ No
**Wetlands Protection**

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<td>Executive Order 11990 discourages direct or indirect support of new construction impacting wetlands wherever there is a practicable alternative. The Fish and Wildlife Service’s National Wetlands Inventory can be used as a primary screening tool, but observed or known wetlands not indicated on NWI maps must also be processed. Off-site impacts that result in draining, impounding, or destroying wetlands must also be processed.</td>
<td>Executive Order 11990</td>
<td>24 CFR 55.20 can be used for general guidance regarding the 8 Step Process.</td>
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1. **Does this project involve new construction as defined in Executive Order 11990, expansion of a building’s footprint, or ground disturbance?** The term "new construction" shall include draining, dredging, channelizing, filling, diking, impounding, and related activities and any structures or facilities begun or authorized after the effective date of the Order

   - **No**
   - **✅ Yes**

2. **Will the new construction or other ground disturbance impact an on- or off-site wetland?** The term "wetlands" means those areas that are inundated by surface or ground water with a frequency sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances does or would support, a prevalence of vegetative or aquatic life that requires saturated or seasonally saturated soil conditions for growth and reproduction. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas such as sloughs, potholes, wet meadows, river overflows, mud flats, and natural ponds.

   "Wetlands under E.O. 11990 include isolated and non-jurisdictional wetlands."

   - **✅ No**, a wetland will not be impacted in terms of E.O. 11990’s definition of new construction.

   Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section. Document and upload a map or any other relevant documentation below which explains your determination

   - **Yes**, there is a wetland that be impacted in terms of E.O. 11990’s definition of new construction.
Screen Summary
Compliance Determination
The project will not impact on- or off-site wetlands. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 11990.

Supporting documentation

Wetlands Map Horse n Hound.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

✓ No
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act

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<td>The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act provides federal protection for certain free-flowing, wild, scenic and recreational rivers designated as components or potential components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (NWSRS) from the effects of construction or development.</td>
<td>The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271-1287), particularly section 7(b) and (c) (16 U.S.C. 1278(b) and (c))</td>
<td>36 CFR Part 297</td>
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1. Is your project within proximity of a NWSRS river?
   ✓ No
   ✓ Yes, the project is in proximity of a Designated Wild and Scenic River or Study Wild and Scenic River.
   ✓ Yes, the project is in proximity of a Nationwide Rivers Inventory (NRI) River.

Screen Summary

Compliance Determination
This project is not within proximity of a NWSRS river. The project is in compliance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

Supporting documentation

NM Wild Senic Rio Grande New Mexico.pdf
Wild n Scenic Rivers.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?
   Yes
   ✓ No
Environmental Justice

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<td>Determine if the project creates adverse environmental impacts upon a low-income or minority community. If it does, engage the community in meaningful participation about mitigating the impacts or move the project.</td>
<td>Executive Order 12898</td>
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HUD strongly encourages starting the Environmental Justice analysis only after all other laws and authorities, including Environmental Assessment factors if necessary, have been completed.

1. Were any adverse environmental impacts identified in any other compliance review portion of this project’s total environmental review?

   Yes

✓ No

Based on the response, the review is in compliance with this section.

Screen Summary
Compliance Determination
No adverse environmental impacts were identified in the project's total environmental review. The project is in compliance with Executive Order 12898.

Supporting documentation

EJ Docs Horse n Hound.pdf

Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?

   Yes

✓ No