**SAMISH INDIAN NATION: DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION**

41099 COVID19 NAHASDA CARES - Grant Number:

**20-BV-53-15020**

Time period covered by this Environmental Review:

**March 10, 2020 through September 30, 2025**

Project Name / Description:

**SAMISH NAHASDA: Supportive Services - Other Housing Services (SUB 0018)**

Only activities to prevent, prepare for, and/or respond to COVID19 will be undertaken, including maintaining normal operations and eligible affordable housing activities under NAHSADA during the period that our IHBG program is impacted by COVID19.

We will provide assistance to Low-Income Indian Households that have been directly impacted by COVID-19 which in turn will allow Native families to maintain their housing, continue employment efforts, take are of medical issues and other barriers that have impacted their lives due to COVID-19. Families impacted by COVID-19 will need assistance with childcare cost, medical/dental cost that are not covered through Indian Health Services. This includes medicine, glasses, medical equipment, etc.; transportation cost, such as car repair, care maintenance, gas, bus passes, etc.; work clothes, supplies or professional presentation needs such as tablets for clients that need virtual mental health and/or substance abuse treatment; legal cost associated with COVID-19; vehicle licensing, such as tabs, tickets, reinstatements, etc.; school uniforms or supplies, utility assistance – electrical, gas, water, garbage, cell phones, necessary furniture, purchasing of food and other items that are specially related to COVID-19.

Additionally, we will use funds to support families that have received eviction notices, 3-day pay or vacate notices and/or need to relocate to a rental unit that is less expensive to prevent family from becoming homeless due to COVID-19.

**This project is determined to be Categorically Excluded from NEPA and does not require and RROF (HUD 7015.15) is completed and submitted to HUD under 24 CFR §58.35(b)(2).**

**Requirements under 24CFR58.6**

***FLOOD INSURANCE /FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT***

1. Does the project involve the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of structures, buildings
or mobile homes?

( X ) No; flood insurance is not required. The review of this factor is completed.

( ) Yes; continue.

2. Is the structure or part of the structure located in a FEMA designated Special Flood Hazard
Area?

( ) No. Source Document (FEMA/FIRM floodplain zone designation, map panel number, date or other credible source):

(Factor review completed. Flood insurance is not required.)

( ) Yes. Source Document (FEMA/FIRM floodplain zone designation, panel number, date):

(Continue review).

3. Is the community participating in the National Insurance Program (or has less than one year passed since FEMA notification of Special Flood Hazards)?

( ) Yes *[Flood Insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program must be obtained and maintained for the economic life of the project, in the amount of the total project cost. A copy of the flood insurance policy declaration must be kept in the Environmental Review Record.]*

( ) No

***COASTAL BARRIERS RESOURCES ACT***

1. Does the project involve any of the following uses of Federal assistance:

* acquisition, construction, repair, improvement or rehabilitation of public facilities;
* acquisition, construction, repair, improvement or rehabilitation of residential or non­residential structures;
* flood insurance for new or substantially improved structures;

- erosion control or stabilization of inlet, shoreline or inshore areas?

( X ) No The review of this factor is completed.

( ) Yes; continue.

2. Is the project in an area along the Atlantic Coast, Gulf of Mexico, or Great Lakes?
( ) No; Cite Source Documentation:

(Factor review completed).

( ) Yes; continue

3. Is the project located in a coastal barrier resource designated on a FEMA map? (See [www.fema.gov/nfip/cobra.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/nfip/cobra.shtm)).

( ) No; Cite Source Documentation:

(Factor review completed).

( ) Yes - **Federal assistance may not be used in such an area.**

***AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEAR ZONES AND CLEAR ZONES DISCLOSURES***

1. Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of an existing building or structure?

( X ) No. The review of this factor is completed.

( ) Yes; continue.

2. Is the building/structure within a Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone, Approach Protection
Zone or a Military Installation's Clear Zone?

( ) No; Cite Source Documentation:

Project complies with 24 CFR 51.303(a)(3). The review of this factor is completed.

( ) Yes; **Disclosure statement must be provided** to buyer and a copy of the signed disclosure statement must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record [24 CFR 51.303(a)(3)].

Completed by: Sharon Paskewitz Date: 09-03-2020

 Sharon Paskewitz, Housing Director

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 Jenna Burnett, Compliance Officer