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September 15, 2009

Mr. Patrick Blanchfield, AICP  
Director of Environmental Review  
NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development  
100 Gold Street, Room 9V-3  
New York, NY 10038

Re: Center for Urban Community Services  
2007 and 2013-2017 Hughes Avenue  
Bronx, Bronx County

Dear Mr. Blanchfield:

On April 9 and 12, 2009, the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal (DHCR), published a "Combined Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and Intent to Request Release of Funds". DHCR is the designated tax credit agency for the disbursement of funds in connection with the federal Tax Credit Assistance Program authorized under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. DHCR based this combined FONSI after compiling its "TCAP Programmatic Environmental Review Record" dated April 9, 2009. On June 17, 2009, DHCR received a notice of Authority to Use Grant Funds, which certifies that the requirements under 24 CFR Part 58 of HUD environmental review regulations had been satisfied.

DHCR has determined that the Environmental Review Record, prepared by the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) on August 31, 2009, for the above referenced project complies with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 58 of HUD Environmental Review regulations. This letter constitutes clearance of the environmental review of this project and removal of the limitation on commitment of HUD TCAP assistance per [24 CFR 58.22(b)].

DHCR, in compliance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), concurs with the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development's determination of Unlisted, Negative Declaration dated August 31, 2009.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this environmental clearance letter, please contact me at (518) 402-3392 or [bwigzell@nysdhcr.gov](mailto:bwigzell@nysdhcr.gov). The Environmental Assessment for this site will be posted on the web at <http://nysdhcr.gov/general/ARRA/EnvironmentalReview.htm>.

Sincerely,

Barbara H. Wigzell, R.A.  
Certifying Officer  
SEQR Officer

Cc: Cathy Frangella, TCAP Program Manager

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**Environmental Assessment**  
**Site Specific Review**

**Responsible Entity:** NYS Division of Housing and Community Renewal (DHCR)

**Certifying Officer:** Barbara H. Wigzell, RA, DHCR

**Program Name:** The Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP)  
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009

**Federal Agency:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**Project #:** N/A

**Project Sponsor:** **Center for Urban Community Services (CUCS)**

**Project Name:** **CUCS – 2007 and 2013-2017 Hughes Avenue, Bronx**

**Project Site Address:** 2007 and 2013-2017 Hughes Avenue, Bronx, New York 10457

**Project County:** Bronx

**Estimated project costs:** \$25M

**Total TCAP Award:** \$6.1M

**Project Sponsor Address:** 2212 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10029

**Primary Contact's Name:** Patrick Blanchfield, AICP

**E-Mail address:** blanchfp@hpd.nyc.gov

**Telephone Number:** (212) 863-5056

**Program Classification:** 58.36 - Environmental Assessment

**ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING:** [58.40(g)]

- Finding of No Significant Impact** - The project will not result in a significant impact on the quality of the human environment.
- Finding of Significant Impact** - The project may significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) has conducted an environmental review of the project identified above and prepared the attached environmental review record in compliance with all applicable provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, (42 USC sec. 4321 et seq.) and its implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.

**Preparer Signature:**

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**NAME:** Aaron Werner

**Title/Agency:** Environmental Planner  
New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development

**Date:** 8/31/2009

**Project Name:** CUCS – 2007 and 2013-2017 Hughes Avenue, Bronx, New York  
**Project #:** N/A

## **Environmental Assessment** **Site Specific Review**

### **Project Description:**

The City of New York - Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) intends to undertake activities funded through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP) to finance the new construction of two 5-story residential buildings containing a total of 90 dwelling units for homeless and low-income individuals and families. All units will be affordable to families earning up to 50% of Area Median Income.

The project sites are two vacant lots owned by the project sponsor, the Center for Urban Community Services (CUCS). The site is zoned R7-1. The proposed project is two 5-story residential buildings with a total of 90 dwelling units, containing studio, one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom apartments as well as space for supportive services and community activities on the ground floor. All of the units would be for homeless and low-income individuals and families. The project sites are located at 2007 and 2013-2017 Hughes Avenue in the Bronx (Block 3068, Lots 77, 78 and Block 3069 Lots 100 and 101). For the purpose of this Environmental Assessment, the proposed development at 2007 Hughes Avenue is known as Site A; and the development at 2013-2017 is known as Site B. Site A would contain a five-story residential building with 52 dwelling units. Site B would contain a five-story residential building with 38 dwelling units. All of the units in both buildings would be affordable to individuals earning up to 50% AMI. In addition to TCAP funding, the proposed project would utilize funding from HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) as well as Project Based Rental Assistance from HUD.

### **Summary of Findings and Conclusions**

#### **Alternatives and Project Modifications Considered** [24 CFR 58.40(e), Ref. 40 CFR 1508.9]

*(Identify other reasonable courses of action that were considered and not selected, such as other sites, design modifications, or other uses of the subject site. Describe the benefits and adverse impacts to the human environment of each alternative and the reasons for rejecting it.)*

Because the proposed project would be developed by a not-for-profit supportive housing developer, other alternatives were not considered. As proposed, the project would provide 90 units of affordable supportive housing for formerly homeless and low income individuals and families.

**No Action:** Under no-action conditions, the project site would remain in its existing state. The vacant, unimproved condition of the sites would remain and needed affordable housing would not be provided. The area would continue to be in need of affordable and supportive housing. Under the no-action condition, the sites would remain in unproductive use and affordable housing opportunities would be lost.

**Action:** Refer to "Project Description" above.

#### **Mitigation Measures Recommended** [24 CFR 58.40(d), 40 CFR 1508.20]

*(Recommend feasible ways in which the proposal or its external factors should be modified in order to minimize adverse environmental impacts and restore or enhance environmental quality.)*

The proposed project would not require any measures to minimize or eliminate adverse effects.

**THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW BY REQUEST TO THE DHCR CERTIFYING OFFICER at: [bwigzell@nysdhcr.gov](mailto:bwigzell@nysdhcr.gov) or (518) 402-3392.**

**Additional Studies Performed**

Phase I ESA – December 18, 2007

NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission's (LPC) memos dated 8/28/2008

CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X

**List of Attachments:**

**Attached please find the following documents:**

**-NEPA Environmental Assessment for HOME funding - August 2009**

- Phase I Environmental Site Assessment dated December 18, 2007
- NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission memos dated 8/28/2008
- FEMA Flood Map #3604970082F
- CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X

**- NYC Coastal Zone Map**

**- NYC Zoning Map**

**List of Sources, Agencies and Persons Consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]**

- 1) Center for Urban Community Services (CUCS) (Sponsor)
- 2) Phase I Environmental Site Assessment dated December 18, 2007
- 3) NEPA Environmental Assessment for HOME funding - August 2009
- 4) NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission letter dated 8/28/2008
- 5) FEMA Flood plain map #3604970082F
- 6) NYC Coastal Zone Map Section 3
- 7) NYC Zoning Map

**APPENDIX A**  
**Statutory Checklist**  
**Site Specific**  
[24CFR §58.5 and 58.6]

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Date: August 31, 2009

*For each listed statute, executive order or regulation, record the determinations made. Note reviews, consultations or mitigation measures required:*

**A - Not Applicable to this project OR B - Consultation, Permit and/or Mitigation Required**

*Then, make a determination of compliance or consistency in the Section provided.*

Factors	A	B	Determinations and Compliance Documentation
<b>Historic Preservation</b> [36 CFR 800]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission was consulted. LPC determined that the proposed project would not adversely affect historic resources. See attached LPC memos (one for each site) dated 8/28/2008.
<b>Floodplain Management</b> [24 CFR 55, Executive Order 11988]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	According to the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), the project sites are not located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. (Panel No. 3604970082F). No impacts would result from the proposed project.
<b>Wetlands Protection</b> [Executive Order 11990]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project sites are not located within an identified federal wetland. No impacts would result from the proposed project (Phase I ESA, December 2007).
<b>Coastal Zone Management Act</b> [Sections 307(c),(d)]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project sites are not located within the boundaries of New York City's Coastal Zone. There would be no impacts on the Coastal Zone from the proposed project. (See attached NYC Coastal Zone Map, Section 3)
<b>Sole Source Aquifers</b> [40 CFR 149]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project sites are located in the Bronx and are not located above a sole source aquifer. No impacts would result from the proposed project.
<b>Endangered Species Act</b> [50 CFR 402]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project sites are located in a developed, urban area of New York City. The proposed project would be a new construction project in an area previously disturbed and developed.  The project sites are not located immediately adjacent to or on the East River, the habitat for the short-nosed sturgeon, the only listed endangered species for Bronx County. The proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to the Endangered Species Act.
<b>Wild and Scenic Rivers Act</b> [Sections 7 (b), (c)]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	There are no wild and scenic rivers within New York City as designated by the US Department of the Interior; therefore, the proposed project would not affect the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.
<b>Air Quality</b> [Clean Air Act, Sections 176 (c) and (d), and 40 CFR 6, 51, 93]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed project would not generate significant levels of traffic, therefore no exceedances of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) associated with carbon monoxide (CO) or particulate matter (PM) would result. The project would not adversely affect the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The proposed project's HVAC systems would utilize natural gas as the fuel type. No significant impact on air quality would result. In addition, the proposed project does not contain a transportation component (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
<b>Farmland Protection Policy Act</b> [7 CFR 658]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed project would not cause disturbance of Prime, Unique, or Statewide Important Farmland and it would not result in the conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses. Therefore, the proposed project would not violate the Farmland Protection Policy Act.
<b>Environmental Justice</b> [Executive Order 12898]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed project would be located in a predominantly low-income and minority area. It is intended to serve an existing need for the affordable housing

			and is not expected to facilitate development which would result in adverse environmental justice impacts. Although the project sites are located in neighborhood characterized as low-income and minority, the proposed project would not result in any unmitigated impacts.
<b>Noise Abatement and Control [24 CFR 51 B]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The proposed project is not located within 1,000 feet of any major highway or 3,000 feet of a railroad, and is beyond the 65 dBA noise contour for LaGuardia and JFK International Airports. The project sites are located on one-way streets in a residential neighborhood and are not located near any major noise source.</p> <p>Noise generated by vehicular traffic on the streets surrounding the project sites would not be expected to be a significant noise contributor. In the absence of substantial noise from these sources, it is likely that the Ldn noise levels at the project sites would be less than 65 dBA and therefore be within the "Acceptable" range according to HUD criteria. In addition, the design of the proposed project is expected to provide at least 20 dBA of window/wall attenuation, in accordance with standard building construction practices (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).</p>
<b>Toxic or Hazardous Substances and Radioactive Materials [HUD Notice 79-33]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Phase I Environmental Site Assessment prepared by IVI Due Diligence Services Inc., revealed no Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) with respect to the project sites. The project sites are currently vacant therefore, lead-based paint (LBP), asbestos containing materials (ACM) and mold are not present. Historical uses do not indicate the presence of hazardous materials on the site. According to the EPA's Map of Radon Zones, Bronx County is considered to have low potential (it has a predicted average indoor radon screening level less than 2 pCi/L). Therefore, radon exposure is not anticipated (Phase I ESA, December 2007; CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X) ( <a href="http://www.epa.gov/radon/zonemap/newyork.htm">http://www.epa.gov/radon/zonemap/newyork.htm</a> ).
<b>Siting of HUD-Assisted Projects near Hazardous Operations [24 CFR 51 C]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A visual survey of the surrounding area revealed that there are no exterior above-ground storage tanks within 1,000 of the project sites with a direct line of sight to the proposed project. In addition, the exterior above-ground storage of explosives or hazardous materials within New York City is subject to New York City Fire Department (FDNY) permitting which requires appropriate blast and thermal protection materials around the storage tank to protect adjacent properties. No impacts would result (Phase I ESA, December 2007).
<b>Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones [24 CFR 51 D]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The project sites are located beyond one mile of an airport; therefore, no further assessment is warranted and no impacts would result.

**NOTES:**

Preparer \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**APPENDIX B**  
**Environmental Assessment Checklist**  
**Site Specific**

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[Environmental Review Guide HUD CPD 782, 24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 &1508.27]  
 Evaluate the significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area.

Enter relevant base data and verifiable source documentation to support the finding. Then enter the appropriate impact code from the following list to make a finding of impact. **Impact Codes:** (1) - No impact anticipated; (2) - Potentially beneficial; (3) - Potentially adverse; (4) - Requires mitigation; (5) - Requires project modification. Note names, dates of contact, telephone numbers and page references. Attach additional materials as needed.

<b>Land Development</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Source or Documentation</b>
Conformance with Comprehensive Plans and Zoning	1	The proposed project would not result in any changes to the zoning of the project sites. The proposed project would be developed in accordance with the regulations of the R7-1 zoning district and no impacts would result (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Compatibility and Urban Impact	2	The proposed project would result in new construction on two vacant sites located in the East Tremont neighborhood of the Bronx. The proposed project is located in a densely developed area of the Bronx and would be consistent with surrounding land uses and prevailing urban design conditions in the area. No impacts would result (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Slope	1	The proposed project would not alter the slope of the surrounding area. No impacts would result.
Erosion	1	The proposed project is located in a densely developed urban area of the Bronx. It would not result in any impacts related to soil erosion.
Soil Suitability	1	The soil of the project sites is classified as “Urban Land” and is suitable for redevelopment and construction of the proposed project (Phase I ESA, December 2007).
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety	1	The proposed project would not result in hazards and nuisances. The construction effects associated with the development of the

		proposed project would be typical of construction effects throughout New York City, including sidewalk closures, fugitive dust and construction noise. The effects would be addressed under existing local, state, and federal regulations governing construction activity within New York City and no impacts would result.
Energy Consumption	1	The proposed project would utilize existing power utilities in the area and would not consume a significant amount of energy.
<b>Neighborhood Impacts</b>		
Noise - Contribution to Community Noise Levels	1	The proposed project would not contribute to community noise levels as it would not result in significant levels of traffic (mobile source noise). No mobile or stationary noise impacts are anticipated as the proposed project's building mechanical system (i.e. heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems) would be designed to meet all applicable noise regulations (i.e., Subchapter 5, §24-227 of the New York City Noise Control Code, the New York City Department of Buildings Code) to avoid producing levels that would result in any significant increase in ambient noise levels (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Air Quality - Effects of Ambient Air Quality on Project and Contribution to Community Pollution Levels	1	The proposed project would not generate significant levels of traffic, therefore no exceedances of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) associated with carbon monoxide (CO) or particulate matter (PM) would result. There are no permitted emission sources identified within 400 feet of the project site. Both buildings would be five stories in height (approximately 80 feet) and would be taller than surrounding buildings and would not result in the potential for adverse air quality impacts associated with HVAC emissions (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Environmental Design Visual Quality - Coherence, Diversity, Compatible Use and Scale	2	The proposed project involves new construction of two five-story residential buildings in the East Tremont neighborhood of the Bronx. The proposed development would not result in significant adverse impacts to urban design, visual resources or neighborhood character. (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
<b>Socioeconomic</b>		
Demographic Character Changes	1	The proposed project would not result in impacts associated with changes in demographic character. The proposed project would provide safe, affordable housing to formerly homeless individuals as well as low-income residents of the Bronx Community District 6. It would result in a benefit to the surrounding population by providing safe, affordable housing and eliminating vacant, underutilized sites.
Displacement	1	No displacement would result from the proposed project as both sites are comprised of vacant land.

Employment and Income Patterns	2	The proposed project would result in additional jobs associated with construction of the buildings. Once constructed, the buildings will require maintenance, security, and support staff (approximately 24 employees). The project would not result in a demographic change or a substantial effect on income patterns.
<b>Community Facilities and Services</b>		
Educational Facilities	1	The proposed project would not place a significant demand on public schools operated or chartered by the New York City Department of Education (DOE). The proposed project would not introduce more than 50 school-age children, as approximately 80 percent of the units would be studios (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Commercial Facilities	2	Many locally-owned businesses are located on Arthur Avenue, East 179th Street and East Tremont Avenue within close proximity to the project sites. The new residents resulting from the proposed project are likely to frequent neighborhood businesses. No impacts to commercial facilities would result from the proposed project.
Health Care	1	There are two major health care facilities located within Bronx Community District 6 (Bronx VA Medical Center and Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center). Both hospitals are easily accessible by public transportation and would not be significantly impacted by the proposed project (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Social Services	1	Social services in the area of the proposed project are provided by a range of New York City agencies. In addition, the proposed project would provide on-site social services for the residents. No impacts related to social services would result from the proposed project.
Solid Waste	1	Municipal solid waste disposal is provided by the New York City Department of Sanitation. The proposed project would not significantly increase the generation of solid waste or affect the provision of sanitation services (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Waste Water	1	Waste water would be handled by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The proposed project would result in new residential development which would not result in significant or unusual demand for sewage disposal or treatment (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Storm Water	1	New York City's storm water management system is handled by DEP. In addition, the project sites are less than one acre in size and therefore, a SPDES permit would not be required. No impacts related to storm water would result from the proposed project (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
Water Supply	1	There would be no impact on New York City's water supply system due to the proposed project. New York City's potable water system is provided by DEP (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).

Public Safety - Police	1	No impacts to police services would result from the proposed project. Police protection services are provided by the New York City Police Department (NYPD). (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
- Fire	1	No impacts to fire services would result from the proposed project. Fire protection services are provided by the New York City Fire Department (FDNY). (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
- Emergency Medical	1	There are two major health care facilities located within Bronx Community District 15 (Bronx VA Medical Center and the Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center). Both hospitals are easily accessible by public transportation and would not be significantly impacted by the proposed project (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
- Open Space	1	The proposed project would not place a significant demand on open spaces in the area. The project sites are located within walking distance to Crotona Park, New York Botanical Gardens and the Bronx Zoo. In addition, the proposed project would not be expected to create a significant change in the demand for nearby parks since the proposed number of users associated with the project would be below the CEQR Technical Manual threshold of 200 or more residents or 500 or more employees. Therefore, no further analysis is required, and the proposed action would not result in any significant adverse impacts to open space (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
- Recreation	1	The proposed project would not place a significant demand on recreational facilities in the area. The sites are located within walking distance to Crotona Park, New York Botanical Gardens and the Bronx Zoo. In addition, the proposed project would not be expected to create a significant change in the demand for nearby parks since the proposed number of users associated with the project would be below the CEQR Technical Manual threshold of 200 or more residents or 500 or more employees. Therefore, no further analysis is required, and the proposed action would not result in any significant adverse impacts to open space (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).
- Cultural Facilities	1	The proposed project would not place a significant demand on cultural facilities in the area. The project sites are located within New York City, which is home to ample cultural facilities accessible to residents by public transportation.
- Transportation	1	The project sites are accessible by subway and bus and by the Metro-North Railroad. The project sites are located approximately 0.4 miles northeast of the Metro-North Tremont station and about 0.6 miles east of the Tremont Avenue subway station serving the B and D trains. The Bx36 bus travels east-west along East 180th Street and the Bx40 and Bx42 buses travel east west along East Tremont Avenue. The Bx17 bus travels north-south along Crotona

		<p>Avenue, two blocks east of the project site, and the Bx15 and Bx55 buses travel north-south along Third Avenue, three blocks west of the sites.</p> <p>The proposed 92 dwelling unit residential development would be below the CEQR threshold of 100 dwelling units, requiring an analysis of trip generation. The project would not result in an increase of more than 200 peak hour bus, rail, or pedestrian trips, and therefore, no significant adverse impacts to subway and local bus services and pedestrian facilities in the surrounding area are expected (CEQR EAS and Negative Declaration 10HPD007X).</p>
<b>Natural Features</b>		
Water Resources	1	The proposed project would not result in a significant effect on water resources, including groundwater. The project sites are not located above a sole source aquifer.
Surface Water	1	The proposed project would not result in a significant effect on water resources, including groundwater and surface water.
Unique Natural Features and Agricultural Lands	1	There are no unique natural features or agricultural lands near the project sites. Therefore, the proposed project would have no impact.
Vegetation and Wildlife	1	The proposed project is located in a developed, urban area in the Bronx, New York. The proposed project is not located immediately adjacent to the East River, the habitat for the short-nosed sturgeon, the only listed endangered species for Bronx County.
Flood Disaster Protection Act [Flood Insurance]	1	The project sites are not located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. Therefore, flood insurance is not required (FEMA FIRM Panel No. 3604970082F).
Coastal Barrier Resources Act/ Coastal Barrier Improvement Act [§58.6(c)]	1	The project will not be undertaken in the coastal Barrier Resources System, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 3501)
Airport Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone Disclosure [§58.6(d)]	1	The project sites are not located proximate to an Airport Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone as defined in 24 CFR Part 51D.
<b>Other Factors</b>		
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Comments:

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**END OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST**