

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 9  
(Second Appropriation)  
FOR FY 2006 CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDS

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008

The Louisiana Recovery Authority (LRA) has approved for public comment resolutions for the use of Supplemental Community Development Block Grant funds for the activities described below. The LRA and the Office of Community Development (OCD) developed the proposed Action Plan Amendment with regard to the federal supplemental appropriation for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita disaster recovery and rebuilding efforts administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. In addition to approval by the LRA Board, the proposed Action Plan Amendment is subject to approval by the Governor and the Louisiana Legislature.

Action Plan Amendment 9 – The Small Rental Soft Second Mortgage Program proposes to set aside \$75 million from previously allocated Small Rental funds for a special initiative designed to promote homeownership and to expand housing opportunities for existing low and moderate income renter households, using the supply of Louisiana Land Trust (LLT) Properties. Selected LLT properties and commitments for any necessary CDBG subsidies will be offered through a competitive process to qualified developers, including nonprofit and for-profit organizations that are able to provide a finished property that meets the Program’s quality standards and is affordable to the pool of income eligible buyers. Upon completion the properties will be sold at a “market price” set at the full cost of development, but the actual cost to the qualified first time homebuyers will be significantly less. The difference – or gap – will be provided in the form of a no interest, “soft second” mortgage to the purchaser.

Copies of the proposed Action Plan Amendment No. 9 will be available for distribution and may be requested in writing or by telephone at (225) 219-9600 from the Division of Administration, OCD on or before June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. This Action Plan Amendment will also be made available on the internet at <http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/dractionplans.htm>.

Written comments on the proposed Action Plan Amendment may be submitted beginning today and must be received no later than 5:00 PM (CST) on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The Proposed Action Plan Amendment will be published in Vietnamese and Spanish translations at the same website. Written comments on these versions will be accepted for ten days after they become available. Comments may be mailed to the Office of Community Development, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 or sent via facsimile to (225) 219-9605. Comments may also be submitted online at <http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/dractionplans.htm>.

**Vietnamese:**

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**Spanish:**

Para más información sobre el plan de acción, llamar al (225) 219-9600 o email [paul.catrou@la.gov](mailto:paul.catrou@la.gov).