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Board of County Commissioners of the
Housing Authority of Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Resolution No. 1911: Approval of the Housing Authority's Certification for the
Section 8 Management Assessment Program

Purpose/Outcomes	Resolution No. 1911 grants approval to submit Housing Authority of Clackamas County's (HACC) Section 8 Management Assessment Program Certification (SEMAP).
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	\$0
Funding Source	HUD
Safety Impact	None
Duration	One year upon final U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Approval
Previous Board Action	Resolution No. 1911, SEMAP approval was passed by the HACC Board of Commissioners August 21, 2014
Contact Person	Chuck Robbins, Executive Director, 503-650-5666
Contract No.	N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Housing Authority of Clackamas County (HACC), a Division of the Health, Housing, and Human Services Department, requests approval of Resolution 1911 to approve and submit HACC's Section 8 Management Assessment Program Certification (SEMAP).

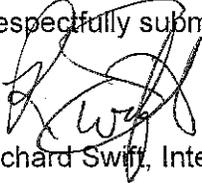
The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires HACC to complete the SEMAP annually. SEMAP allows HUD to measure and rate how well a Housing Authority is administering the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program. There are fourteen areas HACC is rated on by HUD. A Housing Authority is rated one of three ratings: High Performer, with a score of 90% or higher; Standard Performer, with a score between 60% and 89%; or Troubled Housing Authority, with a score below 60%. HACC has an opportunity to respond if there are any significant findings by HUD. Last year, HACC was rated a high.

A copy of HACC's SEMAP form is attached. HUD may also do a site review. At a site review, HACC must show data that supports its SEMAP submission. The supporting data may also be verified at the time of HACC's annual audit. Approval of Resolution 1911 shows the Board approves of our SEMAP submission and gives HACC the authority to submit it to HUD.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve Resolution 1911 and the attached Certification for SEMAP and that the Executive Director of the Housing Authority be authorized to submit the Certification to HUD.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Swift", written over a circular stamp or seal that is mostly obscured by the ink.

Richard Swift, Interim Director

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF CLACKAMAS, OREGON

In the Matter of Approving for the
Certification for the Section 8 Management
Assessment Program (SEMAP)

RESOLUTION NO. 1911

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Clackamas County (HACC) must annually provide a self-assessment relating to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program, and

WHEREAS, the fourteen indicators assessed and the deconcentration bonus indicator, are listed on the attached Certification form, and

WHEREAS, the Certification form is to be submitted to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached Certification for the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) is approved, and the Executive Director of the Housing Authority is authorized to submit the Certification to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

DATED this 20th day of August, 2015.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING
AUTHORITY OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OREGON

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Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 12 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This collection of information is required by 24 CFR sec 985.101 which requires a Public Housing Agency (PHA) administering a Section 8 tenant-based assistance program to submit an annual SEMAP Certification within 60 days after the end of its fiscal year. The information from the PHA concerns the performance of the PHA and provides assurance that there is no evidence of seriously deficient performance. HUD uses the information and other data to assess PHA management capabilities and deficiencies, and to assign an overall performance rating to the PHA. Responses are mandatory and the information collected does not lend itself to confidentiality.

Check here if the PHA expends less than \$300,000 a year in federal awards []

Indicators 1 - 7 will not be rated if the PHA expends less than \$300,000 a year in Federal awards and its Section 8 programs are not audited for compliance with regulations by an independent auditor. A PHA that expends less than \$300,000 in Federal awards in a year must still complete the certification for these indicators.

Performance Indicators

1 Selection from Waiting List (24 CFR 982.54(d)(1) and 982.204(a))

a. The HA has written policies in its administrative plan for selecting applicants from the waiting list.

PHA Response [X] Yes [] No

b. The PHA's quality control samples of applicants reaching the top of the waiting list and admissions show that at least 98% of the families in the samples were selected from the waiting list for admission in accordance with the PHA's policies and met the selection criteria that determined their places on the waiting list and their order of selection.

PHA Response [X] Yes [] No

2 Reasonable Rent (24 CFR 982.4, 982.54(d)(15), 982.158(f)(7) and 982.507)

a. The PHA has and implements a reasonable written method to determine and document for each unit leased that the rent to owner is reasonable based on current rents for comparable unassisted units (i) at the time of initial leasing, (ii) before any increase in the rent to owner, and (iii) at the HAP contract anniversary if there is a 5 percent decrease in the published FMR in effect 60 days before the HAP contract anniversary. The PHA's method takes into consideration the location, size, type, quality, and age of the program unit and of

similar unassisted units and any amenities, housing services, maintenance or utilities provided by the owners.

PHA Response Yes No

b. The PHA's quality control sample of tenant files for which a determination of reasonable rent was required to show that the PHA followed its written method to determine reasonable rent and documented its determination that the rent to owner is reasonable as required for (check one):

PHA Response At least 98% of units sampled 80 to 97% of units sampled
 Less than 80% of units sampled

3 Determination of Adjusted Income (24 CFR part 5, subpart F and 24 CFR 982.516)

The PHA's quality control sample of tenant files show that at the time of admission and reexamination, the PHA properly obtained third party verification of adjusted income or documented why third party verification was not available; used the verified information in determining adjusted income; properly attributed allowances for expenses; and, where the family is responsible for utilities under the lease, the PHA used the appropriate utility allowances for the unit leased in determining the gross rent for (check one):

PHA Response At least 90% of files sampled 80 to 89% of files sampled
 Less than 80% of files sampled

4 Utility Allowance Schedule (24 CFR 982.517)

The PHA maintains an up-to-date utility schedule. The PHA reviewed utility rate data that it obtained within the last 12 months, and adjusted its utility allowance schedule if there has been a change of 10% or more in a utility rate since the last time the utility allowance schedule was revised.

PHA Response Yes No

5 HQS Quality Control (24 CFR 982.405(b))

The PHA supervisor (or other qualified person) reinspected a sample of units during the PHA fiscal year, which met the minimum sample size required by HUD (see 24 CFR 985.2), for quality control of HQS inspections. The PHA supervisor's reinspected sample was drawn from recently completed HQS inspections and represents a cross section of neighborhoods and the work of cross section of inspectors.

PHA Response Yes No

6 HQS Enforcement (24 CFR 982.404)

The PHA's quality control sample of case files with failed HQS inspections shows that, for all cases sampled, any cited life-threatening HQS deficiencies were corrected within 24 hours from the inspection and, all other cited HQS deficiencies were corrected within no more than 30 calendar days from the inspection or any PHA-approved extension, or, if HQS deficiencies were not corrected within the required time frame, the PHA stopped housing assistance payments beginning no later than the first of the month following the correction period, or took prompt and vigorous action to enforce the family obligations for (check one):

PHA Response At least 98% of cases sampled Less than 98% of cases sampled

7 Expanding Housing Opportunities.

(24 CFR 982.54(d)(5), 982.153(b)(3) and (b)(4), 982.301(a) and 983.301(b)(4) and (b)(12))

Applies only to PHAs with jurisdiction in metropolitan FMR areas

Check here if not applicable

a. The PHA has a written policy to encourage participation by owners of units outside areas of poverty or minority concentration which clearly delineates areas in its jurisdiction that the PHA considers areas of poverty or minority concentration, and which includes actions the PHA will take to encourage owner participation.

PHA Response Yes No

b. The PHA has documentation that shows that it took actions indicated in its written policy to encourage participation by owners outside areas of poverty and minority concentration.

PHA Response Yes No

c. The PHA has prepared maps that show various areas, both within and neighboring its jurisdiction, with housing opportunities outside areas of poverty and minority concentration; the PHA has assembled information about job opportunities, schools and services in these areas; and the PHA uses the maps and related information when briefing voucher holders.

PHA Response Yes No

d. The PHA's information packet for certificate and voucher holders contains either a list of owners who are willing to lease, or properties available for lease, under the voucher program, or a list of other organizations that will help families find units and the list includes properties or organizations that operate outside areas of poverty or minority concentration.

PHA Response Yes No

e. The PHA's information packet includes an explanation of how portability works and includes a list of neighboring PHAs with the name, address and telephone number of a portability contact person at each.

PHA Response Yes No

f. The PHA has analyzed whether voucher holders have experienced difficulties in finding housing outside areas of poverty or minority concentration and, where such difficulties were found, the PHA has considered whether it is appropriate to seek approval of exception payment standard amounts in any part of its jurisdiction and has sought HUD approval when necessary.

PHA Response Yes No

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Performance Indicators

8 Payment Standards(24 CFR 982.503)

The PHA has adopted current payment standards for the voucher program by unit size for each FMR area in the PHA jurisdiction and, if applicable, for each PHA-designated part of an FMR area, which do not exceed 110 percent of the current applicable FMR and which are not less than 90 percent of the current FMR (unless a lower percent is approved by HUD). (24 CFR 982.503)

PHA Response Yes No

FMR Area Name Portland/Vancouver

FMR 1 of 1

Enter current FMRs and payment standards (PS)

0-BR FMR 682 1-BR FMR 793 2-BR FMR 944 3-BR FMR 1391 4-BR FMR 1672
PS 750 PS 872 PS 1038 PS 1530 PS 1839
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If the PHA has jurisdiction in more than one FMR area, and/or if the PHA has established separate payment standards for a PHA-designated part of an FMR area, add similar FMR and payment standard comparisons for each FMR area and designated area.

9 Timely Annual Reexaminations(24 CFR 5.617)

The PHA completes a reexamination for each participating family at least every 12 months.(24 CFR 5.617)

PHA Response Yes No

10 Correct Tenant Rent Calculations(24 CFR 982, Subpart K)

The PHA correctly calculates tenant rent in the rental certificate program and the family rent to owner in the rental voucher program (24 CFR 982,Subpart K)

PHA Response Yes No

11 Pre-Contract HQS Inspections(24 CFR 982.305)

Each newly leased unit passes HQS inspection before the beginning date of the assisted lease and HAP contract.(24 CFR 982.305)

PHA Response Yes No

12 Continuing HQS Inspections(24 CFR 982.405(a))

The PHA inspects each unit under contract as required (24 CFR 982.405(a))

PHA Response Yes No

13 Lease-Up

The PHA executes assistance contracts on behalf of eligible families for the number of units that has been under budget for at least one year. The PHA executes assistance contracts on behalf of eligible families for the number of units that has been under budget for at least one year

PHA Response Yes No

14 Family Self-Sufficiency (24 CFR 984.105 and 984.305)

14a.Family Self-Sufficiency Enrollment. The PHA has enrolled families in FSS as required.

Applies only to PHAs required to administer an FSS program.

Check here if not applicable

a. Number of mandatory FSS slots (Count units funded under the FY 1992 FSS incentive awards and in FY 1993 and later through 10/20/1998. Exclude units funded in connection with Section 8 and Section 23 project-based contract terminations; public housing demollition, disposition and replacement; HUD multifamily property sales; prepaid or terminated mortgages under section 236 or section 221(d)(3); and Section 8 renewal funding. Subtract the number of families that successfully completed their contracts on or after 10/21/1998.)

Or, Number of mandatory FSS slots under HUD-approved exception (If not applicable, leave blank)

b. Number of FSS families currently enrolled

c. Portability: If you are the initial PHA, enter the number of families currently enrolled in your FSS program, but who have moved under portability and whose Section 8 assistance is administered by another PHA

Percent of FSS slots filled (b+c divided by a) (This is a nonenterable field. The system will calculate the percent when the user saves the page)

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14b. Percent of FSS Participants with Escrow Account Balances. The PHA has made progress in supporting family self-sufficiency as measured by the percent of currently enrolled FSS families with escrow account balances.(24 CFR 984.305)

Applies only to PHAs required to administer an FSS program

Check here if not applicable

PHA Response Yes No

Portability: If you are the initial PHA, enter the number of families with FSS escrow accounts currently enrolled in your FSS program, but who have moved under portability and whose Section 8 assistance is administered by another PHA

15 Deconcentration Bonus

The PHA is submitting with this certification data which show that :

(1) Half or more of all Section 8 families with children assisted by the PHA in its principal operating area resided in low poverty census tracts at the end of the last PHA FY;

(2) The percent of Section 8 mover families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts in the PHA's principal operating area during the last PHA FY is atleast two percentage points higher than the percent of all Section 8 families with children who resided in low poverty census tracts at the end of the last PHA FY; or

(3) The percent of Section 8 mover families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts in the PHA's principal operating area over the last two PHA FY is at least two percentage points higher than the percent of all Section 8 families with children who resided in low poverty census tracts at the end of the second to last PHA FY.

PHA Response Yes No

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Date 8/12/2015

PHA Name Clackamas

Principal Operating Area of PHA Clackamas

(The geographic entity for which the Census tabulates data)

Special Instructions for State or regional PHAs. Complete a copy of this addendum for each metropolitan area or portion of a metropolitan area (i.e., principal operating areas) where the PHA has assisted 20 or more Section 8 families with children in the last completed PHA FY. HUD will rate the areas separately and the separate ratings will then be weighted by the number of assisted families with children in each area and averaged to determine bonus points.

1990 Census Poverty Rate of Principal Operating Area 5.90

Criteria to Obtain Deconcentration Indicator Bonus Points

To qualify for bonus points, the PHA must complete the requested information and answer yes for only one of the 3 criteria below. However, State and regional PHAs must always complete line 1) b for each metropolitan principal operating area.

- 1 1214 a Number of Section 8 families with children assisted by the PHA in its principal operating area at the end of the last PHA FY who live in low poverty census tracts. A low poverty census tract is a tract with a poverty rate at or below the overall poverty rate for the principal operating area of the PHA, or at or below 10% whichever is greater. 1935 b Total Section 8 families with children assisted by the PHA in its principal operating area at the end of the last PHA FY. 63 c Percent of all Section 8 families with children residing in low poverty census tracts in the PHA's principal operating area at the end the last PHA FY (line a divided by line b). Is line c 50% or more? Yes No

- 2 a Percent of all Section 8 families with children residing in low poverty census tracts at the end of the last completed PHA FY. b Number of Section 8 families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts during the last completed PHA FY. c Number of Section 8 families with children who moved during the last completed PHA FY d Percent of all Section 8 mover families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts during the last PHA fiscal year (line b divided by line c). Is line d at least two percentage points higher than line a? Yes No

- 3 **a** Percent of all Section 8 families with children that residing in low poverty census tracts in the PHAs principle operating area at the end of the second to last completed PHA FY.
- b** Number of Section 8 families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts during the last two completed PHA FYs.
- c** Number of Section 8 families with children who moved during the last two completed PHA FYs.
- d** Percent of all Section 8 families with children who moved to low poverty census tracts over the last two completed PHA FYs (line b divided by line c).
- Is line d at least two percentage points higher than line a? Yes No

If one of the 3 criteria above is met, the PHA may be eligible for 5 bonus points. See instructions above concerning bonus points for State and regional PHAs.

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