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USDA Foreclosure Moratoriums Extended for Areas Impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria

USDA is extending the moratoriums on property foreclosures in the Presidentially Declared Disaster (PDD) areas impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. In light of the severity of the damage caused by the storms, the foreclosure moratoriums will be extended until the dates indicated below:

Hurricane Harvey: February 21, 2018
Hurricane Irma: March 9, 2018
Hurricane Maria: March 19, 2018

These extensions apply to new foreclosures as well as foreclosures already initiated. USDA guidance outlined in "Assistance in Natural Disasters" and located in Chapter 18, Section 4, 7 CFR 3555.307 of the SFHGLP Handbook requires an initial moratorium on foreclosure actions within a PDD for ninety days following the date of each PDD declaration. The extensions are intended to provide greater relief to homeowners in the PDD areas.

If you have any questions, please contact the USDA Rural Development Customer Service Center at (866) 550-5887 or the National Office at (202) 720-1452. If communicating by mail, please address correspondence as follows:

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