

**Authority to Use
Grant Funds**

**U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development**
Office of Community Planning
and Development

To: (name & address of Grant Recipient & name & title of Chief Executive Officer) Mr. James Rubin Executive Director Governor's Office of Storm Recovery 25 Beaver Street New York, NY 10004	Copy To: (name & address of SubRecipient) Thomas J. King Certifying Officer NYS Homes and Community Renewal Housing Trust Fund Corporation 99 Washington Avenue, Suite 1010 Albany, NY 12231
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We received your Request for Release of Funds and Certification, form HUD-7015.15 on	12/12/2014
Your Request was for HUD/State Identification Number	B-13-DS-36-0001

All objections, if received, have been considered. And the minimum waiting period has transpired. You are hereby authorized to use funds provided to you under the above HUD/State Identification Number. File this form for proper record keeping, audit, and inspection purposes.

Program Activity: NY Rising Buyout and Acquisition Program (Rockland County)

Program Description: This program is intended to provide homeowners whose residence was damaged by Hurricane Sandy with financial assistance. This activity was designed to provide home buyouts and acquisition assistance to homeowners of 1-2 unit homes in Rockland County. These properties are located in a floodplain area, which are purchased to return parcels to its natural state in perpetuity.

Notice of Completion of Environmental Reviews RE: Tier 1 Programmatic Environmental Review Record Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program NY Rising Housing Recovery Program: Environmental Assessment for Rockland County Buyout and Acquisition program. In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, an environmental review of the above referenced projects has been performed. The recipient, New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation and its contractors, have prepared EA for the project identified above and have prepared the 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 under 24 CFR Part 58.

If the nature of the activities changes substantially, please notify a HUD environmental officer as an additional review may be required.

CDBG-DR Funding: \$4,000,000
 Total Project Funding: \$4,000,000

Project Location: scattered sites throughout Rockland County

Typed Name of Authorizing Officer Marion Mollegen McFadden Title of Authorizing Officer Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grant Programs	Signature of Authorizing Officer X 	Date (mm/dd/yyyy) DEC 29 2014
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