Attachment 5-2
Environmental Review for
Categorically Excluded Not Subject to Section 58.5 (CENST)
Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(b)

Project Name: ____________________________________________________________________
Responsible Entity (Municipality): _______________________________________________________________________
Sub-Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity): ________________________________________
Preparer: __________________________________________________________________________
Certifying Officer Name and Title: ______________________________________________________
Project Address: _____________________________________________________________________
Total CDBG Grant Amount: _______________________________________________________________________
Categorically Excluded Not Subject CDBG Activity Estimated Amount: ________________________

Description of the Proposed Project:
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
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LEVEL OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW DETERMINATION
(please pick one or both from below):

☐ Activity/Project is Categorically Excluded Not Subject To §58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35(b):
As Chief Certifying Official of the Applicant, I hereby certify that the activities from the above mentioned project have been reviewed and determined to be Categorically Excluded activity (not subject to §58.5) per 24 CFR §58.35(b) as follows:

☐ 58.35(b).1. Tenant-based rental assistance;
☐ 58.35(b) 2. Supportive services including, but not limited to, health care, housing services, permanent housing placement, day care, nutritional services, short-term payments for rent/mortgage/utility costs, and assistance in gaining access to local, State, and Federal government benefits and services;
☐ 58.35(b) 3. Operating costs including maintenance, security, operation, utilities, furnishings, equipment, supplies, staff training and recruitment and other incidental costs;
☐ 58.35(b) 4. Economic development activities, including but not limited to, equipment purchase, inventory financing, interest subsidy, operating expenses and similar costs not associated with construction or expansion of existing operations; without change in size, or capacity of less than 20 percent.
58.35(b) 5. Activities to assist homebuyers to purchase existing dwelling units or dwelling units under construction, including closing costs and down payment assistance, interest buy-downs, and similar activities that result in the transfer of title.

58.35(b) 6. Affordable housing pre-development costs including legal, consulting, developer and other costs related to obtaining site options, project financing, administrative costs and fees for loan commitments, zoning approvals, and other related activities which do not have a physical impact.

58.35(b) 7. Approval of supplemental assistance (including insurance or guarantee) to a project previously approved under this part, if the approval is made by the same responsible entity that conducted the environmental review on the original project and re-evaluation of the environmental findings is not required under §58.47.

CDBG ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST FOR 24 CFR §58.6

1. §58.6(a) and (b) Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended; National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994

HUD State-administered assistance through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is considered a “formula grant made to States.” By law, the restriction on financial assistance for acquisition and construction purposes in special flood hazard areas is not applicable to "formula grants made to States." 24 CFR 58.6(a)(3). Compliance with this section is not applicable for CDBG-financed projects.

2. §58.6(c) Coastal Barrier Improvement Act, as amended by the Coastal Barriers Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 3501) Not Applicable Please Move on to the next section CDFA 11/13/14.

Per FEMA’s and the US Fish & Wildlife Service’s web sites; New Hampshire does not have designated Coastal Barrier Resource System areas/communities. (Per Federal Consistency Coordinator, New Hampshire Costal Program DES 11/13/2014).

3. §58.6(d) Runway Clear Zones and Clear Zones [24 CFR §51.303(a) (3)]

   a. Is your project located near Concord, Manchester or Portsmouth Airports?
      Yes □  No □
      If No, compliance with this section is complete.
      If Yes, continue below.

   b. Does the project involve the sale or purchase of existing property?
      Yes □  No □
      If No, compliance with this section is complete.
      If Yes, continue below.

   c. Is the project located within 2,500 feet of the end of a civil airport runway (Civil Airport’s Runway Clear Zone) or within 15,000 feet of the end of a military runway (Military Airfield’s Clear Zone)?
      Yes □  No □
If No, compliance with this section is complete.
If Yes, Notice must be provided to buyer. The notice must advise the buyer that the property is in a Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone, what the implications of such a location are, and that there is a possibility that the property may, at a later date, be acquired by the airport operator. The buyer must sign a statement acknowledging receipt of this information, and a copy of the signed notice must be maintained in this ERR.

To determine if your project falls in the Clear zone please use the following link. Radius Tool: http://www.freemaptools.com/radius-around-point.htm input your address on top, go below the map and fill in the feet space, click on map and the radius will be shown. If you have questions please call CDFA.

Cite and attach source document (Map indicating project site in proximity to end of runway):
For more information see:
Airport Information: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/airport-hazards/
http://www.airnav.com/airports/
HUD Airport Hazards Guidance: https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/airport-hazards/
Notice to Prospective Buyers: https://www.onecpd.info/resource/2758/notice-prospective-buyers-properties-in-runway-clear-zones/

With reference to the above Program activity(ies)/Project, I, the undersigned officer of the grantee, accept responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act for environmental reviews, decisions and actions. By my signature below, I certify that I am authorized to, and do personally accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Court for enforcement of the aforesaid responsibilities. In addition, we request that the environmental conditions attendant to the above referenced grant activities be released so that, upon Governor and Council approval (where applicable), funds may be drawn down for Categorically Excluded Not Subject to §58.35(b). I understand that any activities not listed above are subject to all rules applicable to 24CFR58 and that funds may be not be obligated without a notice of removal of environmental conditions from CDFA

Responsible Entity Agency Official Signature:

Name/Title/Organization: _____________________________________________________________
Authorized Certifying Officer Signature ____________________________________________ Date: ____________________
Name/Title: _____________________________________________________________
Preparer Name: _____________________________________________________________ Date: ____________________
Preparer Signature: _____________________________________________________________

Any costs incurred prior to contract approval by the Governor and Executive Council (if applicable) of the State of New Hampshire will be at the risk of the applicant. You may not incur any cost except for those authorized by CDFA prior to release of funds notification. All applicable State and Federal regulations including but not limited to procurement and debarment apply to the activities stated above.