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To: State HOME Program Activity Recipients and interested parties

RE: California Drought Disaster Response: Requests for Reprogramming Existing HOME Grants

This memo is to notify State HOME grantees they may request HCD approval to use existing HOME Program Activity grants for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance in response to the recently declared California Drought Disaster.

Governor Brown declared a natural disaster in California in Executive Order B-21-13 due to the emergent need for immediate direct relief and mitigation of the effects of the 2014 California Drought Disaster.

Eligible HOME jurisdictions with open grant allocations may request a Standard Agreement amendment to redirect some or all of their available funds for TBRA to mitigate the effects of the drought on the ability of lower income households to afford rent and utilities.

If your jurisdiction is interested in this activity, please send an e-mail to your HOME Program Activity representative, with a copy to nicole.mccay@hcd.ca.gov. We will work with you on evaluating your options (terms, Activity Delivery Cost allowance, program guidelines, clearance requirements, etc.). If you want to make a formal request after this discussion, a letter from your authorized representative will be required. A new authorizing resolution may be needed depending on how the original resolution was worded.

A map showing all current HOME program representative assignments is available at: [HOME Program Activity Rep Map](#).