

Technical Advisory



October 9, 2015

To: Multifamily Stakeholders and Partners

Re: Revised 2016 QAP

Partners and Stakeholders:

I wanted to update you on the current status of the Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP). We presented draft changes to the QAP to the State Housing Council on October 2, 2015. You can find an updated [Draft of the QAP here](#).

At this meeting, the State Housing Council had in-depth conversations on aspects of recommendations for changes to the QAP. There was significant agreement on many of the changes proposed. However, the Housing Council requested additional information about the proposed Developer Fee and identified that the draft approach needed more dialogue related to elements of social equity. The Council discussed a range of issues, including place based strategies, people based strategies, and economic strategies. In particular, the Council recommended that we explore an additional metric pertaining to engaging Minority, Women and Emerging Small Businesses (MWESB) for the 2016 QAP to further equity goals related to economic strategies.

Based on this feedback, OHCS staff is working diligently to develop a recommendation on this matter. Our current plan is to vet the recommendation with the Governor's Office and State Housing Council, with the goal of bringing forward a revision at the November 8th State Housing Council meeting. We will share the revisions as soon as they are available in an effort to also obtain informal comment prior to the Department posting the QAP for a formal 30-day public comment period.

Based on the outcome of the November State Housing Council meeting, we will release the updated schedule of the 2016 QAP process and anticipated 2016 NOFA completion and release.

Please feel free to continue to provide informal feedback to the current draft 2016 QAP by emailing me at Julie.Cody@oregon.gov with the subject line "2016 QAP Input". I would like to receive your informal feedback by October 21, 2015. This will allow us to take into consideration your input prior to finalizing the next draft of the QAP.

Thank you again for your thoughtful feedback throughout this process.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie V. Cody".

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