

NOTICE OF CHANGES TO ELIGIBLE AREA MAPS FOR USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT HOUSING PROGRAMS

USDA Rural Development has completed its 2017-2018 periodic review of all areas under its jurisdiction to identify areas that no longer qualify as rural for USDA Rural Housing programs. Based on the review of the areas within the state of North Dakota, using the 2015 American Community Survey data, and rural area guidance located in Handbook [HB-1-3550, Chapter 5](#), the rural eligibility designation has changed for the following areas:

- 1) Bismarck/Mandan – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.
- 2) Dickinson – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.
- 3) Fargo/West Fargo – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.
- 4) Grand Forks – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.
- 5) Minot – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.
- 6) Williston – corporate city limits will delineate the urban/rural boundary.

The changes will become effective on June 4, 2018. Areas that are no longer considered rural or rural in character and that will not be eligible for the USDA Rural Housing Programs can be viewed at <https://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do> by clicking on either "Single Family Housing Guaranteed", "Single Family Housing Direct" or Multi-Family Housing" and then selecting "Proposed Ineligible Areas" tab.

For details, or questions about specific changes, please contact the North Dakota's State Office for Rural Development Housing Program Staff at 701-530-2045.

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