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 New Jersey 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:

New Jersey

1) Ocean City, Cape May County
2) Princeton, Mercer County
3) Princeton Meadows, Middlesex County
4) Kinnelon, Morris County
5) Long Beach Island Communities, Ocean County

Included in the proposed change, portions of Berkley Township (Ocean County) that will become eligible is detailed below:

- Starting point at the Southern Township line point. Continue North to the Northern Township line point and continue East to Route 9 (Atlantic City Blvd). Continue East/South on Route 9 (Atlantic City Blvd) to Sloop Creek Road. Continue East on Sloop Creek Road. EXCLUDING South Toms River and Beachwood Section.

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 New Jersey Rural Development Housing Program Staff at 856.787.7700

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