

USDA Alabama Rural Development Public Notice

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

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Mar. 9, 2023 – USDA Rural Development is conducting a review of all areas under its jurisdiction to identify areas that no longer qualify as rural for housing programs. The last rural area reviews were performed in 2017-2018 using 2015 American Community Survey (ACS) data. Rural area designations are reviewed every five years. This review will utilize the 2020 United States decennial census data.

Based on the 2020 US census data and rural area guidance located in Handbook [HB-1-3550, Chapter 5](#), the rural eligibility designation is under review for the following areas in Alabama:

Currently eligible communities under review:

1. City of Jacksonville (Calhoun County)

Proposed Ineligible communities under review (expansion of ineligible areas):

2. City of Huntsville (Madison and Limestone Counties)
3. City of Madison (Madison County)
4. City of Decatur (Morgan County)
5. City of Florence (Lauderdale County)
6. City of Birmingham (Jefferson County)
7. City of Center Point (Jefferson County)
8. City of Mountain Brook (Jefferson County)
9. City of Forestdale (Jefferson County)
10. City of Homewood (Jefferson County)
11. City of Hoover (Jefferson and Shelby Counties)
12. City of Alabaster (Shelby County)
13. City of Tuscaloosa (Tuscaloosa County)
14. City of Northport (Tuscaloosa County)
15. City of Prattville (Autauga and Elmore Counties)
16. City of Millbrook (Elmore and Autauga Counties)
17. City of Montgomery (Montgomery County)
18. City of Auburn (Lee County)
19. City of Phenix City (Russell County)
20. City of Dothan (Houston and Dale Counties)
21. City of Fairhope (Baldwin County)
22. City of Daphne (Baldwin County)
23. City of Tillmans Corner (Mobile County)

Proposed Ineligible communities under review (reconsideration of eligibility):

24. City of Glencoe (Calhoun and Etowah Counties)



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The public shall have 90 days from the date of this public notice to submit comments regarding the potential loss of eligibility for Rural Development housing programs. Comments should be sent to SM.RD.ALMO3.SFH@usda.gov. For details, or questions about specific changes, please contact the Alabama Rural Development Housing Program staff at (334) 279-3440.