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90 Day Notice

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

HURON, S.D., March 8, 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 South Dakota:

Currently eligible communities under review:

1. Brown County – Aberdeen ("Rural in Character" under review.)
2. Brookings County – Brookings ("Rural in Character" under review.)
3. Minnehaha County – Brandon ("Rural in Character" under review.)
4. Pennington County – Rapid Valley ("Rural in Character" under review.)

Ineligible communities under review (expansion of ineligible areas):

5. Minnehaha County – Sioux Falls
6. Pennington County – Rapid City

Ineligible communities under review (reconsideration of eligibility):

7. Minnehaha County – Sioux Falls
8. Pennington County – Rapid City

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 RD.SD@usda.gov. For details, or questions about specific changes, please contact the South Dakota Rural Development Housing Program staff at (605) 352-1100.