



INVESTING IN COMMUNITIES

## **Request for Proposals #1923 - Project-Based Vouchers for Homeless Families / Individuals**

### **Responses to Requests for Information**

Q1. We need clarification on item #4 under the Minimum Threshold Requirements category. Specifically what the process is to get an inspection before the submittal (for a new construction project) and whether that inspection is conducted by SHRA or another party.

**A1. Item # 4 refers to site and unit Housing Quality Standards (HQS) for the project.**

#### **4. A. Site Meeting HQS - 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 982.401 (I)**

**(1) Performance requirement. The site and neighborhood must be reasonably free from disturbing noises and reverberations and other dangers to the health, safety, and general welfare of the occupants.**

**(2) Acceptability criteria. The site and neighborhood may not be subject to serious adverse environmental conditions, natural or manmade, such as dangerous walks or steps; instability; flooding, poor drainage, septic tank back-ups or sewage hazards; mudslides; abnormal air pollution, smoke or dust; excessive noise, vibration or vehicular traffic; excessive accumulations of trash; vermin or rodent infestation; or fire hazards.**

#### **4. B. Units Meeting HQS- 24 CFR 983.103 a (1) & (2)**

**For new construction it refers to an inspection of the site before the proposal selection date. Once the units are constructed the Housing Authority will determine the units to be fully compliant with Housing Quality Standards (HQS) before executing the HAP contract.**