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Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation Recovery Housing- 21R-006 Environmental Review Record

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Environmental Assessment

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Project Information

Project Name: Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation – Recovery Housing

Responsible Entity: Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity):

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Project Location: 163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858 (no +4 provided by US Postal Service); *may show on maps with alternate addresses of 38 College Drive, Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858-7747.*

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

The intent of this project is to create a transitional housing facility, by converting approximately 14,000 square feet of classrooms into 22 efficiency apartments, to help ensure a safe and supportive living environment for men recovering from chronic substance abuse as they exit residential treatment. This environment will provide supportive housing as residents move towards a life of sobriety and productivity rather than allowing them to immediately return to the same toxic environment that spawned their addiction.

The property, in its entirety, is owned by MCHC. The specific property for this project has been subdivided from the larger parcel located at 38 College Drive in downtown Whitesburg, KY. The newly formed subdivision has the address of 163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858. The property sits in the business corridor, within easy walking distance to the Southeast Community and Technical College, Whitesburg Campus.

A portion of the original property has already been renovated to create a community kitchen (CANE Kitchen) as an event center for local farmers to gather and market their products to help generate revenue for the local economy and much more.

The project will include the recruitment and employment of the following positions: two full-time equivalent (FTE) licensed clinical social workers (LCSWs), one FTE Case Manager, one FTE House Supervisor, one FTE Security Officer, one FTE Groundskeeper, and one FTE Medical Assistant.

See [Attachment 1](#), Area and Site Maps for more information.

PROJECT STRUCTURE

The property owned by Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation (MCHC) contains a 14,000 square foot, two-story classroom building, built in approximately 1961. MCHC will renovate this structure to provide twenty-two (22) ADA and UFAS compliant efficiency apartments dedicated to sober living.

MCHC currently has site control of the property and will retain site control for a minimum of ten (10) years upon completion of renovation and opening of the transitional housing facility. Municipal utilities are readily available at the site.

Cost Summary	CDBG-LMI	Other Funds	Total
Multi-unit residential rehabilitation	\$455,000	\$1,943,196	2,398,196
Architect Design/Inspection	\$0	\$153,005	\$153,005

Planning and Project Delivery Costs	\$45,000	\$0	\$45,000
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Statement of Purpose and Need for the Proposal [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:

Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation (MCHC) has spent 50 years growing into one of the largest rural community health centers in Kentucky. With over 440 employees, including 80 healthcare providers across multiple specialties, they are able to provide services to over 45,000 patients each year. With the issues with Substance Use Disorder (SUD) in the region, MCHC has made bold efforts in the recovery field. As of today, MCHC serves 28 counties across the state for those struggling with recovery.

Fahe is providing consulting services to Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation (MCHC) to help bring a recovery housing model to Letcher County. The Transitioning from Recovery to Society project addresses the substance abuse crisis by focusing on creating a recovery ecosystem that will lead to workforce re-entry. With a wealth of experience in recovery housing, Fahe looks to create this model based on similar projects designed and established in the past, i.e. Liberty Place, Sky Hope, Hickory Hill, etc.

SUD has affected Letcher County and surrounding communities in many ways:

- The need for multi-unit residential rehabilitation housing is vital for the community of Whitesburg and Letcher County. Currently, there is currently no facility that provides supportive living for those in recovery who are transitioning from treatment to fully independent sober living.
- In Letcher County, drug poisoning causes many fatalities; the drug overdose mortality rate was of 17 deaths per 100,000 population, according to County Health Rankings.
- By transforming the old Whitesburg High School, which currently sits empty, into transitional housing, the facility can offer the community a residential opportunity for persons leaving residential recovery to continue their recovery in a structured, licensed facility, as opposed to sending people in early stages of independent living into environments that put them in peril of substance use initially.

The renovated facility will house the recovery center in an effort to address the ongoing, severe effects of Substance Use Disorders within Letcher County in particular and Eastern Kentucky as a whole.

- The project will consist of 22 efficiency apartments ranging from 300 to 400 square feet, with private bathroom and efficiency kitchen, providing supportive, transitional living opportunities for men exiting SUD recovery facilities.
- Residents will work with a Case Manger during their stay, allowing them to acclimate to independent sober living in a supportive environment.
- The goal of MCHC is to support residents to become self-sufficient, positive influences in their communities.

- Residents will have safe, secure, and decent housing while they re-enter the workforce or training programs, effectively removing a major stressor that can contribute to the need to re-enter treatment.

Existing Conditions and Trends [24 CFR 58.40(a)]:

According to US Census Bureau QuickFacts statistics (Census.gov) for 2021, Letcher County Kentucky has a median household income of \$35,278 as compared to the US median household income of \$69,021, resulting in 29.1% of residents living in poverty. Overall, 77% of Letcher County residents 25 and older hold a high school diploma or higher, while only 10% hold a bachelor's degree or higher.

Only 43% of the total population aged 16 and above participate in the civilian labor force, as compared to 63% nationwide. The mean time to travel to work for residents of Letcher County is 28 minutes, which is roughly equivalent to the national average.

Substance Use and Substance Use Disorder affect every county in Kentucky, with some regions experiencing more significant impact than others. While there has been a recent decrease in drug trafficking citation rates in the five-county area served by State Police Post 13 (K-Sure Report (No. 14), September 2021), the rates still remain in the 16.3-20.5 citations per 10,000 residents range, the highest range included in the report. As a whole, Central and Eastern Kentucky roughly west of I-75 have the highest rates of drug trafficking citations in the state.

Even with the apparent decrease in drug trafficking, there has been an increase in drug overdose-related deaths between 2019 and 2020 in the area served by KSP Post 13, similar to what has been seen throughout much of the state. In fact, Post 13 falls into the highest category (5.1-6.6 deaths per 10,000 residents) along with two other Eastern Kentucky KSP Post areas. The remainder of Eastern Kentucky reports rates ranging from 2.4-4.2 deaths/10,000 residents to 4.3-5.0 deaths/10,000 residents. Additionally, KSP Post 13 reports a Drug Overdose-related emergency department visit rate of 26.8-38.4 visits per 10,000 residents, again in the highest category included in the report.

The high incidence of Substance Use in and around Letcher County has resulted in the area receiving a drug burden risk index score in the fourth quartile for Kentucky. Methamphetamine and Opioids continue to be the primary substances used in this area, though Opioids, Methamphetamine, and Fentanyl are the leading substances causing overdose deaths. Between 2019 and 2020, incorporating only the first year of the pandemic, the KSP Post 13 area experienced an increase in Heroin trafficking, possession, ED visits, and hospitalizations; an increase in opioid deaths and ED visits; an increase in methamphetamine and cocaine deaths; and an increase in fentanyl trafficking and deaths.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's County Health Rankings and Roadmaps report for 2022 ranked Letcher County 107th out of Kentucky's 120 counties. Among the metrics to note, the ratio of residents to primary care physicians is 1,440:1, with a mental health provider availability ratio of 1,180:1. Kentucky Access to Recovery reports that Letcher County ranks 50th in the nation for risk of HIV or Hepatitis C outbreaks secondary to substance use.

Finally, while access to recovery beds in Eastern Kentucky has increased in recent years, the number of available beds continues to lag behind need and the availability of transitional, supportive housing is similarly lacking. A joint study by the University of Kentucky Center of Excellence in Rural Health and the Walsh Center for Rural Health Analysis at NORC has identified 14 Eastern Kentucky counties among the top 20 counties nationally for declines in drug overdoses. Even with these declines, the rates of drug overdose remain high, indicating that though the trend of providing better access to treatment and supportive recovery is working, the task of providing adequate access to all phases of sustained recovery is far from accomplished.

Sources:

Census.gov QuickFacts

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/letchercountykentucky,US/PST045221>

K-Sure Report (No. 14), September 2021 (https://kiprc.uky.edu/sites/default/files/2021-09/K.SURE%20Product_No.14%2C20172020_final.pdf)

County health Rankings and Roadmaps (<https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/explore-health-rankings/kentucky/letcher>)

Kentucky Access To Recovery: What We Learned In Eastern Kentucky (<https://fahe.org/wp-content/uploads/KATR-report.pdf>)

Funding Information

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
MCHC	n/a	\$596,201
Appalachian Regional Commission	n/a	\$1,500,000
KY Dept. for Local Gov't	CDBG-R	\$500,000

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount:

\$500,000

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]:

\$2,596,201

Compliance with 24 CFR 50.4, 58.5, and 58.6 Laws and Authorities

Record below the compliance or conformance determinations for each statute, executive order, or regulation. Provide credible, traceable, and supportive source documentation for each authority. Where applicable, complete the necessary reviews or consultations and obtain or note applicable permits of approvals. Clearly note citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references. Attach additional documentation as appropriate.

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5 and §58.6	Are formal compliance steps or	Compliance determinations
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	mitigation required?	
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 and 58.6		
Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The nearest civil or military airports are outside the 15,000 ft radius. The site is not within a clear zone or accident potential zone. See Attachment 4 .
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kentucky has no coastal areas.
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project site is not in a flood hazard area. See FEMA Firmette, Attachment 5 .
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 & 58.5		
Clean Air Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project is not located in a non-attainment area. See EPA data for air quality, Attachment 6 . Project site is in a Zone 2 county for radon; the project is residential. Radon mitigation is unlikely to be needed, though the developer may choose to test for verification. See Attachment 7 .
Coastal Zone Management Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kentucky has no coastal zones.
Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No negative effects are expected from contamination or toxic substances, per queries of EPA documentation. See Attachment 8 .
Endangered Species	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The US Fish & Wildlife Service has determined there are no concerns regarding state or federally protected species,

Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402		wilderness areas or wildlife preserves, designated critical habitat, and migratory bird flyways for this project. Attachment 9.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	An aerial map review indicates there is one above-ground propane tank of >100 gallons; the tank is on-site. The tank is on the east side of Building 1. No mitigation is required per ASD worksheet. See Attachment 10.
Farmlands Protection Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	USDA has stated that no impact is expected from this project. See Attachment 19.
Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project is not located in a floodplain or flood hazard area. See Attachment 5.
Historic Preservation National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Kentucky State Historic Preservation Office has determined that the proposed project will not impact any properties or sites that are listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. No historic properties affected. See Attachment 11.
Noise Abatement and Control Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no railways within 3,000 feet nor military/civilian airports within 15 miles. A major rural arterial roadway is nearby; however, calculated DNL is below the threshold of 65 dB. No impacts anticipated to or by the proposed project. See Attachment 12.
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no sole source aquifers in Kentucky.
Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Per the National Wetlands Inventory database, there are no wetlands on the subject property. See Attachment 13.

<p>Wild and Scenic Rivers</p> <p>Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)</p>	<p>Yes No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Per the Kentucky Wild & Scenic Rivers map, there are no designated rivers within 1 mile. See Attachment 14.</p>
<p>ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE</p>		
<p>Environmental Justice</p> <p>Executive Order 12898</p>	<p>Yes No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>The proposed project creates no adverse environmental justice impact for LMI individuals and has the potential to create beneficial impact through the creation of new jobs accessible to neighborhood residents. There are no areas of minority concentration within Letcher County.</p> <p>THPO was sent a letter requesting comments on this project and no response was received after 30 days had passed. It is assumed that there are no concerns regarding the disturbance of tribal lands on this project. For a copy of the letter sent to THPO, see Attachment 18.</p>

Environmental Assessment Factors [24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 &1508.27] Recorded below is the qualitative and quantitative significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area. Each factor has been evaluated and documented, as appropriate and in proportion to its relevance to the proposed action. Verifiable source documentation has been provided and described in support of each determination, as appropriate. Credible, traceable and supportive source documentation for each authority has been provided. Where applicable, the necessary reviews or consultations have been completed and applicable permits of approvals have been obtained or noted. Citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references are clear. Additional documentation is attached, as appropriate. **All conditions, attenuation or mitigation measures have been clearly identified.**

Impact Codes: Use an impact code from the following list to make the determination of impact for each factor.

- (1) Minor beneficial impact
- (2) No impact anticipated
- (3) Minor Adverse Impact – May require mitigation
- (4) Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
<p>LAND DEVELOPMENT</p>		

Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	2	Letcher County does not have a planning or zoning department to determine zone designation. The site location is within the city of Whitesburg, near other MCHC buildings and projects, among a mixture of residential and business/commercial properties, and will provide a good adaptive reuse of an existing building within the design of the community. See Attachment 15 .
Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff	2	The project site has moderate to steep slopes with no evidence of slope erosion or unstable slope conditions on or near the site. As there will be no new construction there is no indication that the project will negatively impact any erosion, drainage, or storm water runoff
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise	2	No impact anticipated. The project will not be affected by any natural or built hazards or nuances. Noise calculations with an acceptable DNL result. ASD was calculated based on LP tanks with an acceptable result. See Attachment 12 .
Energy Consumption	2	The project site is served by the City of Whitesburg, which has ample capacity for the needs of this project.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
SOCIOECONOMIC		
Employment and Income Patterns	1	The proposed project will have beneficial impact on employment or income patterns through the provision of safe, decent, and stable housing for residents to exit residential recovery programs and re-enter the work force or training programs.
Demographic Character Changes, Displacement	2	No impact anticipated; project is relatively small in scale with no significant changes to the existing exterior architectural design features. No displacement will occur – the building is currently vacant.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES		
Educational and Cultural Facilities	1	Beneficial impact anticipated. The project will allow for workforce development with both training programs and a Community College nearby. See Attachment 16 .
Commercial Facilities	2	No anticipated impacts; surrounding properties are mix of residential and businesses/services. See Attachment 16 .
Health Care and Social Services	1	Beneficial impact anticipated; Targeted services will be available on-site, MCHC clinics are nearby, and an ARH Hospital is nearby. See Attachment 16 .

Solid Waste Disposal / Recycling	2	Construction and non-construction debris removal is available through City of Whitesburg. <i>See Clearinghouse comments in Mitigation Measures.</i>
Waste Water / Sanitary Sewers	2	Utilities are already provided to the site by the City of Whitesburg. <i>See Clearinghouse comments in Mitigation Measures.</i>
Water Supply	2	Utilities are available on-site through the City of Whitesburg. <i>See Clearinghouse comments in Mitigation Measures.</i>
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	2	The City has adequate police, fire and emergency services personnel and no adverse impact is anticipated. See Attachment 16 .
Parks, Open Space and Recreation	2	City parks are located within easy walking distance of the project site. See Attachment 16 .
Transportation and Accessibility	2	Most of downtown Whitesburg is easily accessible, with sidewalks available for walking or wheelchair/mobility aid use. LKLP Community Action Center provides on-demand public transportation services on a fee basis. See Attachment 16 .

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
NATURAL FEATURES		
Unique Natural Features, Water Resources	2	None; no impacts anticipated. (Site Visit checklist, <i>Attachment 3</i>). U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was sent a letter regarding this project and no response was received. A copy of this letter may be found in Attachment 17 .
Vegetation, Wildlife	2	None; no impacts anticipated. See Attachment 9 .
Other Factors		See Clearinghouse comments in Mitigation Measures.

Additional Studies Performed: None.

Field Inspection (Date and completed by):

Jerri Dyer, October 27, 2022 – [Attachment 3](#)

List of Sources, Agencies and Persons Consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:

1. Project Map: Provided by Applicant
2. Site photographs: On-site visit
3. Airport Hazards: Online distance measuring; Kentucky Aviation Map 2022.
4. Floodplain: FEMA National Flood Hazard Layer, Firmette, on-line generation
5. Clean Air: U.S. EPA county status as of January 2023.
6. Radon: EPA Air Quality, county-level mapping system
7. Contamination/Toxic Substances: EPA Envirofacts, NEPAassist

8. Endangered Species: KY Fish and Wildlife Service response to scoping letter
9. Explosive/flammable hazards: Aerial review via Google Earth; NEPAassist; HUD Acceptable Separation Distance Assessment Tool
10. Farmlands Protection: USDA response to scoping letter
11. Floodplain management: FEMA Firmette
12. Historic preservation: Kentucky State Historic Preservation Office response to scoping letter
13. Noise abatement and control: Online mapping for distance to roadway, railway, civilian airport. Additional documentation KY Dept. of Transportation traffic count and high-volume roadway determination. HUD Online Noise Assessment Calculator
14. Sole source aquifers: N/A, none in Kentucky
15. Coastal zones: N/A, none in Kentucky
16. Wetlands Protection: National Wetlands Inventory Database and mapping system
17. Wild and Scenic Rivers: KY Dept. of Environmental Protection map of designated wild/scenic rivers
18. Environmental justice: Census tract analysis
19. Land development, conformance and compatible use: Generalized Geologic Map for Land Use Planning from the Kentucky Geological Survey.
20. Land development: On-site visual inspection and Kentucky State Clearinghouse (Single Point of Contact) comments.
21. Land development, hazards/nuisances: Site visit and noise assessment.
22. Socioeconomic, employment/income: Project scope.
23. Socioeconomic, demographic: No impact due to scale and design.
24. Community facilities and services, educational/cultural, commercial, health care/social services: Project scope. Solid waste disposal/recycling: Municipal system available. Water/sewer: Municipal systems available, Clearinghouse comments. Public safety: Analysis of distance from emergency services. Parks/open spaces: Review of distance to facilities and amenities available (online mapping). Transportation/accessibility: Review of available public transit options.
25. Natural features, unique, water resources, vegetation/wildlife: Site visit
26. Tribal: scoping letter (no response received).
27. Clean Water Act, Rivers and Harbors Act, dredged/fill material: Response to scoping letter, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (no response received).

List of Permits Obtained:

None at this time.

Public Outreach [24 CFR 50.23 & 58.43]:

Public notice regarding the project was made in the Mountain Eagle, February 8, 2023. The notice stated comments could be made for 15 days and materials were made available at the Whitesburg MCHC Office.

Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR 58.32]:

No significant adverse impacts provided mitigation measures below are followed.

Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9]

Alternate site location, while a viable option, could require new construction, rather than renovation of an existing structure. Location to services, including Cane Kitchen and MCHC Clinics weight this site heavily in favor of not choosing an alternative site.

No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)]:

Considered but not chosen given the need for the project.

Summary of Findings and Conclusions:

The project will not have an adverse environmental impact, nor will the surrounding environment (property uses) create adverse impacts to the project. Included in the mitigation measures below are general comments received through the Kentucky State Clearinghouse Single Point of Contact process. The Responsible Entity will convey information below to the successful bidder(s).

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [40 CFR 1505.2(c)]

Summarize below all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid, or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements, and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure
Thermal & Explosive Hazards	An aerial map review indicates there is one above-ground propane tank of >100 gallons. See acceptable separation distance calculations; the tank is on the opposite side of an existing two-story brick and steel construction building. No mitigation is required. <i>Attachment 10.</i>
Department for Environmental Protection 401 KAR 63:010, Fugitive Emissions	No person shall cause, suffer, or allow any material to be handled, processed, transported, or stored without taking reasonable precaution to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Additional requirements include the covering of open bodied trucks, operating outside the work area transporting materials likely to become airborne, and that no one shall allow earth or other material being transported by truck or earth-moving equipment to be deposited onto a paved street or roadway. Please note the Fugitive Emissions Fact Sheet located at http://air.ky.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/Fugitive%20Dust%20Sheet.pdf <i>Mitigation: Follow above-stated guidance.</i>
Department for Environmental Protection 401 KAR 63:005, open burning	Open burning shall be prohibited except as specifically provided. Open Burning is defined as the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the outdoor atmosphere without passing through a stack or chimney.

	<p>However, open burning may be utilized for the expressed purposes listed on the Open Burning Brochure located at http://air.ky.gov/Pages/OpenBurning.aspx</p> <p><i>Mitigation: Follow above-stated guidance.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>All solid waste generated by this project must be disposed at a permitted facility. If underground storage tanks are encountered they must be properly addressed. If asbestos, lead paint, and/or other contaminants are encountered during this project, they must be properly addressed.</p> <p>Mitigation requirement / solid waste: None. Construction waste dumpsters are available through the Sandy Hook Sanitation Department, with waste taken to a permitted facility.</p> <p>Mitigation requirement / asbestos and lead-based paint: If asbestos and/or lead-based paint are found to be present during renovation, appropriate disposal and mitigation measures will be taken.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: Follow above-stated guidance.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>Constructions located in floodplains require Division of Water (DOW) prior approval. If the construction area disturbed is 1 acre or more, the applicant will need to apply for a Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System storm water discharge permit.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; site is not in a floodplain.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>Utility line projects that cross a stream will require a Section 404 permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers and a 401 Water Quality Certification from DOW.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; utilities will not cross a stream.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be utilized to control storm water runoff and sediment damage to water quality and aquatic habitat. For technical assistance on the kinds of BMPs most appropriate for housing and related construction, please contact the local Soil and Water Conservation District or the Division of Conservation.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: Follow requirements above.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>WATER SUPPLY - If an existing water server is to be utilized for new water tap-ons (rehabilitations, new constructions), ascertain the capacity and operating condition of the originating water treatment plant and of the server (if different) in comparison to the water needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to water servers under tap-on bans, Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to water systems operating near, at, or over capacity. If a new water source is to be utilized, ascertain the source's (stream's or well's) low flow ability to serve the proposed housing. Prior approval from DOW is</p>

	<p>required for water withdrawals of over 10,000 gallons per day and for all public drinking water. Final plans and specifications are subject to review by DOW.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; existing tap will be used.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>WASTEWATER TREATMENT - If an existing wastewater server is to be utilized for new wastewater tap-ons (rehabilitations, new construction), ascertain the capacity and operating conditions of the receiving wastewater treatment facility (wastewater treatment plant or package sewage treatment plant) and of the server (if different) in comparison to the wastewater needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to wastewater servers under tap-on bans, Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to wastewater systems at or over hydraulic capacity. If a new wastewater treatment facility is to be utilized, ascertain the discharge stream's ability to absorb the proposed housing's treated wastewater.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; existing tap will be used.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>DOW notes the requirements of onsite sewage disposal statutes, KRS 211.350 to 211.380, and administrative regulations, 902 KAR 10:060 to 10:110, must be met. DOW requests provisions be made for future connections to a wastewater treatment system. A Groundwater Protection Plan, as required by 401 KAR 5:037, needs to be prepared by all onsite wastewater system owners. Contact the DOW regarding requirements.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; not applicable.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>Prior approval from DOW is required for all discharges into streams and for all wastewater treatment facilities. DOW reminds the applicant to seal abandoned wastewater service connections.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; not applicable.</i></p>
Department for Environmental Protection	<p>Your project might have the potential of impacting federally or state listed species and natural communities. Go to the Kentucky Biological Assessment Tool (kynaturepreserves.org) to obtain a Standard Occurrence Report for information regarding listed species known within your project area. The report will also provide information on public and private conservation lands, areas of biodiversity significance, and other natural resources in your project area for which the Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves maintains data.</p> <p><i>Mitigation: None; see separate communication with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.</i></p>
Department of Housing Buildings and Construction	<p>KY Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, Division of Building Code Enforcement, has several points that must be considered for this project. Plans and applications for review and approval for a project of this type and size must be submitted to this Department. These</p>

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the activity/project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).

Attachment 1 – Area and Site Maps Location within Whitesburg, Kentucky



163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858, marked by red place marker

Site Map



Building 2 is 163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky, the building that has been subdivided out of the larger property and that will be renovated to house the transitional housing facility.



Site map with arrow pointing to Main Entrance/Front Door of Transitional Housing Facility. Cane Kitchen, located in Building 1 of the Whitesburg High School complex, is a prime example of adaptive reuse of existing, abandoned school buildings that benefits the community.

Site Photos



North side of building, front entrance planned here for ease of accessibility.



West side of building.



South side of building. Shows Building 2, another classroom building, farther up the hill. South side of building, looking west.



East side of building, (facing south). Sidewalk from parking area near Hwy 15 to near front entrance of building. Only one story is visible here. Second, lower story is visible on west side.



East side of building (facing north). North entry/exit on the east side of the building is beside a retaining wall.



North east corner of building, showing both stories beyond retaining wall.



Sidewalk from parking lot near Hwy 15 looking toward east side of building. Structure in foreground is Whitesburg School Complex Building 3, the gymnasium building, which is not part of this project. *Please note that Building 3, Building 1, and the hill on which the complex sits all provide barriers to sound coming from Hwy 15.*

Attachment 2 – Clearinghouse Comments



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June 11, 2021

Mr. Drew Pritchard
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319 Oak Street
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RE: Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation Recovery Housing at Whitesburg
SAI# KY202106030950
CFDA# 14.228

Dear Mr. Pritchard:

The Kentucky State e-Clearinghouse is the official designated Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for the Commonwealth pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 12372, and supported by Kentucky Statutes KRS 45.031. The primary function of the SPOC is to streamline the review aforementioned process for the applicant and the funding agency. This process helps in vocalizing the statutory and regulatory requirements. Information in the form of comments, if any, will be attached to this correspondence.

This proposal has been reviewed by the appropriate state agencies in the e-Clearinghouse for conflicts with state or local plans, goals and objectives. After receiving this letter, you should make it available to the funding agency and continue with the funding agencies application process. This e-Clearinghouse SPOC letter signifies only that the project has followed the state reviewing requirements, and is neither a commitment of funds from this agency or any other state or federal agency. Please remember if any federal reviews are required the applicant must follow through with those federal agencies.

The results of this review are valid for one year from the date of this letter. If the project is not submitted to the funding agency or not approved within one year after the completion of this review, the applicant can request an extension by email to Lee.Nalley@ky.gov. If the project changes in any way after the review, the applicant must reapply through the e-Clearinghouse for a new review. There are no exceptions.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the review process please contact the e-Clearinghouse office at 502-892-3462.

Sincerely,

Lee Nalley, SPOC
Kentucky State Clearinghouse

Attachment

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Department for Environmental Protection
Louanna Aldridge

This review was based upon the information that was provided by the applicant through the Clearinghouse for this project. An endorsement of this project does not satisfy, or imply, the acceptance or issuance of any permits, certifications or approvals that may be required from this agency under Kentucky Revised Statutes or Kentucky Administrative Regulations. Such endorsement means this agency has found no major concerns from the review of the proposed project as presented other than those stated as conditions or comments.

Division for Air Quality

Kentucky Division for Air Quality Regulation 401 KAR 63:010 Fugitive Emissions states that no person shall cause, suffer, or allow any material to be handled, processed, transported, or stored without taking reasonable precaution to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Additional requirements include the covering of open bodied trucks, operating outside the work area transporting materials likely to become airborne, and that no one shall allow earth or other material being transported by truck or earth moving equipment to be deposited onto a paved street or roadway. Please visit the division's fugitive emissions web site for more information <http://air.ky.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/Fugitive%20Dust%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

Regulation 401 KAR 63:005 states that open burning is prohibited. Open Burning is defined as the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the atmosphere without passing through a stack or chimney. However, open burning may be utilized for the expressed purposes listed on the <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/OpenBurning.aspx>.

Kentucky Division for Air Quality Regulation 401 KAR 58:025, Asbestos Standards, apply to this project if any renovation or demolition occurs. If so, a Kentucky Accredited Asbestos Inspector must inspect the project. Asbestos that will be affected by this activity must be removed by a Kentucky accredited contractor before renovation or demolition begins. Written notification must be given on form DEP 7036 to the Division for Air Quality Regional Office at least 10 weekdays prior the start of demolition or renovation, whether or not asbestos has been identified to be present. Please note form: <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/AsbestosInformation.aspx>

All solid waste generated by this project must be disposed at a permitted facility. If underground storage tanks are encountered they must be properly addressed. If asbestos, lead paint, and/or other contaminants are encountered during this project, they must be properly addressed.

If the proposed project site is in a designated flood hazard area, application must be made to the Division of Water for a floodplain construction permit. Permission, or exemption, depends upon design and the exact site.

If the construction area disturbed is equal to or greater than 1 acre, the applicant will need to apply for a Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (KPDES) stormwater discharge permit from Division of Water.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be utilized to control storm water runoff and sediment damage to water quality and aquatic habitat. For technical assistance on the kinds of BMPs most appropriate for projects of this type and related construction, please contact the local Soil and Water Conservation District or the Division of Conservation.

Utility line projects that cross a stream will require a Section 404 permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers and a 401 Water Quality Certification from DOW.

WATER SUPPLY - If an existing water server is to be utilized for new water tap-ons (rehabilitations, new constructions), ascertain the capacity and operating condition of the originating water treatment plant and of the server (if different) in comparison to the water needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to water servers Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to water systems operating near, at, or over capacity. If a new water source is to be utilized, ascertain the source's (stream's or well's) low flow ability to serve the proposed housing. Prior approval from DOW is required for water withdrawals of over 10,000 gallons per day and for all public drinking water. Final plans and specifications are subject to review by DOW.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT - If an existing wastewater server is to be utilized for new wastewater tap-ons (rehabilitations, new construction), ascertain the capacity and operating conditions of the receiving wastewater treatment facility (wastewater treatment plant or package sewage treatment plant) and of the server (if different) in comparison to the wastewater needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to wastewater servers under tap-on bans, Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to wastewater systems at or over hydraulic capacity. If a new wastewater treatment facility is to be utilized, ascertain the discharge stream's ability to absorb the proposed projects treated wastewater.

Prior approval from DOW is required for all discharges into streams and for all wastewater treatment facilities.

DOW notes the requirements of onsite sewage disposal statutes, KRS 211.350 to 211.380, and administrative regulations, 902 KAR 10:060 to 10:110, must be met. DOW requests provisions be made for future connections to a wastewater treatment system. A Groundwater Protection Plan, as required by 401 KAR 5:037, needs to be prepared by all onsite wastewater system owners. Contact the DOW regarding requirements.

Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction
Don Newberry

KY Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, Division of Building Code Enforcing, has several points that must be considered for this project. Plans and applications for review and approval for a project of this type and size must be submitted to this Department. These applications must be authored by an architect and engineer(s) licensed to practice in Kentucky. There are several approvals required. Please review the Department's web page for questions concerning this process. dhbc.ky.gov
In addition, please contact local government offices for information on any zoning or business approvals which may be required.

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources
Doug Dawson

Based on the information provided, the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources has no comments concerning the proposed project. Please contact Doug Dawson at 502-892-4472 or doug.dawson@ky.gov if you have further questions or require additional information.

Kentucky River Area Development District
Angelia Hall

For file

KY Heritage Council
Yvonne Sherrick

To receive a review from the KY Heritage Council/State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) you must follow the instructions located on their website at <http://www.heritage.ky.gov/siteprotect/> . There you will find the required documents for the Section 106 Review and Compliance for 36 CFR Part 800. This Section 106 submission process to SHPO will assist applicants and agencies in providing the appropriate level of information to receive comments from SHPO. If you have any questions please contact Yvonne Sherrick, Administrative Specialist III, (502) 564-7005, Ext. 113, yvonne.sherrick@ky.gov.

Please note: If your project is funded through Transportation Alternative (TAP), Transportation Enhancements (TE), Congestion, Mitigation, Air Quality (CMAQ), or Safe Routes to School (SRTS) you will need to send this information to Michael Jones, Historic Preservation Program Administrator with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet via email MichaelR.Jones2@ky.gov or hard copy to Michael Jones, Office of Local Programs, KY Transportation Cabinet, 200 Mero Street Frankfort, KY 40622. Do not send materials directly to SHPO if your project involves funding from these four sources as it will cause delays in the review process. Michael Jones will consult directly with the SHPO on projects with these funding sources to complete the Section 106 review.

KYTC DISTRICT 12
Samuel Hale

No Comments.

Attachment 3 – Site Visit

SITE VISIT AND FIELD OBSERVATIONS Checklist

Instructions: It is recommended that this checklist be used by staff and/or consultants for HUD-assisted projects involving acquisition, rehabilitation, demolition, construction, and resale of properties acquired as part of a HUD-assisted project.

No matter what level of environmental expertise a reviewer has, the site visit is an effective method of gaining impressions of the physical characteristics of the project site and its surroundings. However, for certain categories of environmental impact (e.g., groundwater, soils suitability, seismic zones, and wetlands, endangered species habitat) a professional expert is required. The expert will gather the relevant information and conduct tests such as gathering soils samples or taking soil borings.

Prior to the site visit, review all background information about the project--it's location, a description of the project and all related activities, and any existing reports and documents associated with the project (e.g. environmental reviews completed for the same project by Federal, state or local entities; appraisal reports; special studies, such as a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, biological assessment concerning endangered species, archival reports concerning archeological sites, soils and geological report, etc.) .

Also, several different types of maps will be useful in completing the field review, such as the project plan or plat map, a location map showing major features and facilities in the vicinity, the USGS topographic map and FEMA flood map for the site area (if applicable), as well as aerial photos. **Many of the site conditions can and should be recorded directly on the project plan.** Distances to major features and facilities (e.g. schools and fire stations, major roadways, etc.) and a description of the surrounding area are examples. This record of the site visit and documentation of field observations, as well as the project plan can then be used as evidence of "compliance documentation".

At times, these field observations will identify environmental conditions that require further investigation and reporting.

A digital camera should be used to photograph the project site, and any environmental conditions or structures that may provide additional information and/or support observations being made.

Project Address/Location:

163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, KY 41858 Formerly 38 College Drive, Whitesburg, KY 41858 – new address with new deed

Brief Description of the Project:

The intent of this project is to create a transitional housing facility, by converting approximately 14,000 square feet of classrooms into 22 efficiency apartments, to help ensure a safe and supportive living environment for men recovering from chronic substance abuse. This environment will help them move towards a life of sobriety and productivity rather than allowing them to immediately return to the same toxic environment that spawned their addiction.

The property, in its entirety, is owned by MCHC. It is located at 38 College Drive in downtown Whitesburg, KY and sits in the business corridor, within easy walking distance to the Southeast Community and Technical College on the Whitesburg Campus.

A portion of the property has already been renovated to create a community kitchen (CANE Kitchen) as an event center for local farmers to gather and market their products to help generate revenue for the local economy and much more.

The project will include the recruitment and employment of the following positions: two full-time equivalent (FTE) licensed clinical social workers (LCSWs), one FTE Case Manager, one FTE House Supervisor, one FTE Security Officer, one FTE Groundskeeper, and one FTE Medical Assistant.

1. Historic Preservation (36 CFR Part 800)

- a) Describe the boundary of the *area of potential effects* (APE) and draw it on a site map. (NOTE: For rehabilitation of an existing building the APE is the property boundary. For reconstruction or new construction of single-family residential buildings it is the project site and immediately adjacent properties. For construction of multifamily residential buildings as well as nonresidential buildings the APE may be larger than this depending upon the mass and scale of the proposed building construction in comparison to the surrounding uses.)

Description for Tract Two of the subdivided land of The Letcher Board of Education Formerly Known as the Whitesburg High School Property

A tract of land previously known as the Whitesburg High School property, situated in the commonwealth of Kentucky, County of Letcher, in the city of Whitesburg on the waters of the North Fork of the Kentucky River and more particularly described with all bearings and distances referenced to the Magnetic Meridian of the NAD 83 Kentucky South Coordinate System. All Iron Pins set, mentioned in this description are a minimum of 24 inches in length and ½ inches in diameter with a plastic cap stamped LS #3144.

Beginning at a Iron Pin Set on the North side of a 14 in Water Birch as called for in Tract One of the subdivided land of The Letcher county Board of Education, previously known as the Whitesburg High School.

Thence N 41°17'26" W a distance of 71.33' leaving Tract One running with the land retained by the Letcher county Board of Education to a Pk nail set in washer stamped #3144 near the bottom on the southwest side of concrete steps;

Thence N 15°35'07" W a distance of 24.85' to a Pk nail set in sidewalk;

Thence N 28°57'58" W a distance of 27.88' with the west side of said sidewalk to an Iron Pin with cap set at the bottom and on the west side of steps;

Thence N 58°59'31" E a distance of 49.12' with the South edge of the access road to the old Whitesburg High School Gym to a point in the center of a concrete drain headwall;

Thence N 55°34'38" E a distance of 19.10' to a point in the South edge of Walnut Street;

Thence N 78*03'51" E a distance of 86.02' leaving the land retained by the Letcher County Board of Education to a called for spike in pavement in (Deed Book 292, Page 297) not found at time of survey;

Thence N 87*32'48" E a distance of 74.02' to a Pk nail set in pavement;

Thence S 87*36'57" E a distance of 41.60' to a Iron Pin (fund), crossing over a Iron Pin set at a distance of 12.84', to the common line of adjoining property described in a conveyance to W.W. Mullins and J.H. Mullins as recorded on Deed Book 61, Page 404;

Thence S 01*25'27" W a distance of 73.50' to a point, running with said Mullins line, point being a common corner to Tract One of the subdivided land of The Letcher County Board of Education, previously known as the Whitesburg High School;

Thence S 67*24'47" W a distance of 134.39' leaving said Mullins line running with said Tract One, to a Iron Pin set at the base and on the North side of a 10 inch Maple Tree;

Thence S 63*37'09" W a distance of 71.95' which is the point of beginning, having an area 0.60 acres according to a survey by Richard W. Hall, LS #3144 in May of 2009.

Being a part of the same land conveyed to The Letcher County Board of Education by a deed dated February 23, 1909 and recorded in Deed Book 36, Page 627 and found recorded in the Letcher County Clerk's Office.

Being a part of the same property conveyed to Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation from The Letcher County Board of Education by deed dated July 28, 2015 and recorded in Deed Book 429, Page 98, records of the Letcher County Court Clerk's Office.

b) Are there buildings present within the APE? YES NO
 If **yes**, how many buildings are there and what type (e.g., homes, commercial/retail, etc.)?

One 2-story existing structure, formerly utilized as a high school classroom building, that will be renovated to provide twenty-two (22) sober living units.

c) Are the buildings more than 50 years of age? YES NO
 If **yes**, take a digital photo of the building(s) and record the location of the photos (by address, if any, as well as on a site map). INCLUDED N/A

Comments:
 This property is identified as a school, constructed in 1961, which was surveyed by the Kentucky Heritage Council's Kentucky Historic Schools Survey. As with many schools greater than 50 years old, adaptive reuse is a viable option for preservation of the community-centered legacy of these buildings.

d) Have visible alterations been made to the building(s)? YES NO N/A
 If **yes**, describe these alterations.

Comments on Section 1:

2. Noise Abatement (24 CFR 51, Subpart B)

Does the project involve reconstruction or new construction of residential units or other land use that would be adversely impacted by high levels of noise (e.g., hospitals or clinics with overnight patients, community centers, etc.)? YES NO

If **yes**, continue completing this section on noise abatement.

- a) Is the project located near a major noise source? YES NO
1. Is the project located within 1,000 feet of major highways or busy roads? YES NO

If **yes**, what is the name of the highway(s) and/or road(s)?

State Highway 15 Bypass

Is there a barrier (natural or constructed) of sufficient height and length to break the line-of-sight to the project? (**NOTE: Vegetation is not an effective barrier.**) YES NO

If **yes**, provide a description of the barrier. If no, continue.

From the main entrance, there will be both an earthen barrier (hill) and a building barrier (2-story brick building at higher elevation than entrance). From back entrance, there will be an earthen barrier (hill) that breaks partial line of sight and a two-story brick building that breaks partial line of sight.

What is the *noise assessment location* (NAL)?

NOTE: The NAL is 6.5 feet from the building façade or the proposed building setback. Refer to page 50 of the HUD Noise Guidebook.)

The NAL is 6 feet from the front door, as marked on the noise assessment map, see screenshots at end of Site Visit document.

Was **Worksheet C (Roadway Noise)** in the HUD Noise Assessment Guidelines (Page 76 of the HUD Guidebook) completed during the field visit? YES NO

If **no**, name what other source of information will be used to complete a noise calculation to determine whether roadway noise is **Acceptable (65 DNL)**, according to HUD standards---i.e., existing Federal or local roadway study, hire a consultant, etc.

2. Is the project located within 3,000 feet of a rail road? YES NO
- If **yes**, what is the name of the railroad line(s)?

Is there a barrier (natural or constructed) of sufficient height and length to break the line-of-sight to the project? (NOTE: Vegetation is not an effective barrier.)

YES NO

If **yes**, provide a description of the barrier. If **no**, continue.

What is the *noise assessment location* (NAL)?

NOTE: The NAL is 6.5 feet from the building façade or the proposed building setback. Refer to page 50 of the HUD Noise Guidebook.)

N/A

Was **Worksheet D (Railway Noise)** in the HUD Noise Assessment Guidelines (Page 78 of the HUD Guidebook) completed during the field visit?

YES NO

If **no**, name what other source of information will be used to complete a noise calculation to determine whether railway noise is **Acceptable (65 DNL)**, according to HUD standards---i.e., existing Federal or local railway study, hire a consultant, etc.

3. Is the project located within 15 miles of an FAA-regulated civil airfield or military airfield?

YES NO

If **yes**, what is the name of the airfield(s)?

Acquire a copy of the airfield map that shows the DNL noise contour lines around the airport(s).

Included Not available (see comment on Section 2)

Comments on Section 2:

Noise from Roadways, Airfields, or Railways was determined not to be of concern to this project.

3. Hazardous Operations (24 CFR 51, Subpart C)

a) Are there stationary aboveground storage tanks containing more than 100 gallons of explosives or fire-prone materials (e.g., liquid propane, gasoline, or fuel oils, etc.) that are within 1 mile of the project? YES NO

If **yes**, identify the facility (e.g., commercial, industrial, residential), as well as its location and distance to the project:

A single 500-gallon residential LP tank is located on the adjacent property (also owned by MCHC).

Is there a barrier (natural or constructed) of sufficient height and length to break the line-of-sight to the project? (NOTE: Vegetation is not an effective barrier.) YES NO

If **yes**, provide a description of the barrier.

Two-story, steel-construction, brick building, which is also part of the school complex.

If **no**, you must determine whether the project is an acceptable distance (for both people and buildings) from the hazard using the HUD guidebook, “**Siting of HUD-Assisted Projects Near Hazardous Facilities**”.

Siting determination included N/A

Comments on Section 3:

ASD Worksheet included in attachments – See Attachment 10.

4. Airport Hazards (24 CFR 51, Subpart D)

a) Is the project within 2500 feet of an FAA-regulated civil airfield? YES NO

b) Is the project within 15,000 (about 2.8 miles) feet of a military airfield? YES NO

If your answer is **YES** to either of these questions, contact the civil and/or military airfield for a map showing the location(s) of Runway Clear Zones (at civil airfields) and/or Clear Zones and Accident Protection Zones (at military airfields).

Runway Clear Zones Map included N/A

Clear Zones and Accident Protection Zones included N/A

Comments on Section 4:

5. Protection of Wetlands (Executive Order 11990)

a) Are there drainage ways, streams, rivers, or coastlines on or near the site? YES NO

b) Are there ponds, marshes, bogs, swamps or other wetlands on or near the site? YES NO

c) For projects proposing new construction and/or filling, grading and dredging, or expanding the existing building footprint, the following applies:

i) Is the project located within a wetland designated on a National Wetlands Inventory map maintained by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? YES NO

ii) If your answer is **YES**, E.O. 11990, Protection of Wetlands, discourages Federal funding of these activities in wetlands and compliance with the wetlands decision-making process is required (Refer to 24 CFR 55, § 55.20).

Wetlands decision-making process included N/A

Comments on Section 5:

Site is located on a hill above the river that flows nearby.

6. Toxic Chemicals and Radioactive Materials [24 CFR 58, § 58.5(i)]

Has a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment been completed? YES NO

If **no**, answer the following questions:

- a. Is the project site within 0.5 miles near an industry disposing, transporting, using or storing chemicals or hazardous wastes? YES NO
- b. Is the project site within 1 mile of a U.S. EPA Superfund National Priorities List (NPL) site, or equivalent State listed site? YES NO
- c. Is the project within 0.5 miles of a U.S. EPA regulated CERCLA site or equivalent state listed site? YES NO
- d. Is the site located within 3,000 feet of a toxic or solid waste landfill site? YES NO
- e. Does the project site have an underground storage tank? YES NO

If your answer is **YES**, then further investigation is necessary to determine whether these facilities could affect the health and safety of the project occupants or conflict with the intended use of the property. Use current techniques by qualified professions to undertake the investigations that are necessary.

- Further investigation needed (and documented) N/A

Comments on Section 6:

Per NEPAssist, there are 3 businesses within 3,000 feet of the project site. These are identified in the Attachments. None of these businesses are identified through NEPAssist as posing a significant risk to residents of the Transitional Living Facility.

Other environmental conditions that could affect the health and safety of the occupants:

- a. Lead-based paint (24 CFR 35)
 - Is there a residential building on-site that was constructed before 1978? YES NO
 - Will children 6 years of age or younger occupy the residential building? YES NO
 - If your answer is YES, testing is required? YES NO
- b. Radon
 - Is the residential building in an area with High (Zone 1) or Moderate (Zone 2) potential for radon? YES NO
 - Does the building have a basement or crawl space?
 - basement crawl space slab on grade
 - Has testing for radon been completed? YES NO Unknown
- c. Mold
 - Is the presence of mold or damage from mold visible? YES NO

Comments on Section 6, Other Environmental Conditions:

7. Farmland Protection (7 CFR 658)

- a) Is the project site now committed to a nonagricultural use? YES NO
If **yes**, describe the current use of the property.

Former use of the building was the English wing for the old Whitesburg High School.

- b) Is the site or area being farmed at the present time? YES NO
If your answer is **yes**, contact the U.S. Natural Resource Conservation Service to determine whether the project site is classified as prime or unique agricultural land.
 Contact made and documentation included N/A

8. Unique and Natural Features and Areas

- a) Is the site near natural features (i.e., bluffs or cliffs) or near public or private scenic areas? YES NO
- b) Are other natural resources visible on the site or in the vicinity? Will any such resources be adversely affected or will they adversely affect the project? YES NO

Comments on Section 8:

9. Site Suitability, Access, and Compatibility with Surrounding Development

- a) Has the site been used as a dump, sanitary landfill, or mine waste disposal area? YES NO
- b) Is there paved access to the site? YES NO
- c) Are there other unusual conditions on site? YES NO
- d) Is there indication of any of the following?
 - i) distressed vegetation YES NO
 - ii) waste material/containers YES NO
 - iii) soil staining, pools of liquid YES NO
 - iv) loose/empty drums, barrels YES NO
 - v) oil/chemical spills YES NO
 - vi) abandoned machinery, cars, refrigerators, etc. YES NO
 - vii) transformers, fill/vent pipes YES NO
 - viii) pipelines, drainage structures YES NO
- e) Is the project compatible with the surrounding area in terms of the following?
 - i) Land use YES NO
 - ii) Height, bulk, mass YES NO
 - iii) Building type (low/high rise) YES NO
 - iv) Building density YES NO
- f) Will the project be unduly influenced by any of the following?
 - i) Building deterioration YES NO
 - ii) Postponed maintenance YES NO
 - iii) Obsolete public facilities YES NO
 - iv) Transition of land uses YES NO
 - v) Incompatible land uses YES NO
 - vi) Inadequate off-street parking YES NO

- g) Are there air pollution generators nearby which would adversely affect the site?
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| i) Heavy industry | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ii) Incinerators | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iii) Power generating plants | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iv) Oil refineries | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| v) Cement plants | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vi) Large parking facilities (1000 or more cars) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vii) Heavy travelled highway (6 or more lanes) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| viii) Other (describe below) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |

Comments on Section 9:

10. Soil Stability, Erosion, and Drainage

Slopes: Not applicable Steep Moderate Slight

- a) Is there evidence of slope erosion or unstable slope conditions on or near the site? YES NO
- b) Is there evidence of ground subsidence (i.e., settling, buckling, depressions), high water table, or other unusual conditions on the site? YES NO
- c) Is there any visible evidence of soil problems (foundations cracking or settling, basement flooding, etc.) in the neighborhood of the site? YES NO
- d) Is there indication of cross-lot runoff, drainage flows on the property? YES NO
- e) Are there visual indications of filled ground? YES NO
- f) Are there active rills and gullies on site? YES NO
- g) If the answer is **YES** to one or more of these questions, a soils report is likely needed for the following reasons (check applicable items):
- Indicators are that marginal or unsatisfactory soil conditions may be present.
 - Site drainage appears to be poor.
 - On-site water pooling appears to be a problem.
 - Off-site and/or on-site erosion or slope stability is a concern.
 - The site is not to be served by a municipal waste water disposal system and a determination needs to be made whether soil conditions are suitable for on-site septic system(s).

Comments on Section 10:

This building was constructed in 1961. The soil around the building appears stable and with adequate drainage/water management.

11. Nuisances and Hazards

- a) Will the project be affected by natural hazards?
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| i) Faults, fractures | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ii) Cliffs, bluffs, crevices | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iii) Slope-failures from rains | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iv) Unprotected water bodies | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |

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| v) Fire hazard materials | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vi) Wind/sand storm concerns | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vii) Poisonous plants, insects, animals | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| viii) Hazardous terrain features | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
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| b) Will the project be affected by built hazards and nuisances? | | |
| i) Hazardous streets | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ii) Dangerous intersections | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iii) Through traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iv) Inadequate separation of pedestrian/vehicle traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| v) Inadequate screened drainage catchments | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vi) Hazards in vacant lots | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vii) Chemical tank-car terminals | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| viii) Other hazardous chemical storage | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ix) Children's play areas located next to freeway or other high traffic way | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| x) Inadequate street lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xi) Quarries or other excavations | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xii) Dumps/sanitary landfills or mining | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xiii) Railroad crossing | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xiv) High-pressure gas or liquid petroleum transmission lines on site | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xv) Overhead transmission lines | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xvi) Oil or gas wells | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| xvii) Industrial operations | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
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| c) Will the project be affected by nuisances? | | |
| i) Gas, smoke, fumes | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ii) Odors | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iii) Vibration | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| iv) Glare from parking area | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| v) Vacant/boarded-up buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vi) Unsightly land uses | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| vii) Abandoned vehicle | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| viii) Vermin infestation | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ix) Industrial nuisances | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| x) Other (Identify in Comments below) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |

Comments on 11:

12. Schools, Parks, Recreation, and Social Services

- | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| a) Areas school nearby? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|

If **yes**, identify the schools and their distances from the project.

Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College: Whitesburg Campus, 0.4 miles – 10-minute walk

- b) Are parks and play spaces available on site or nearby? YES NO

If **yes**, what are the names and distances from the project.

City Park: 0.8 miles – 17-minute walk
Riverside Park: 0.7 miles – 15-minute walk
Letcher County Recreational Center: 0.4 miles – 8-minute walk (temporarily closed due to flood damage)

- c) Will social services be available on site or nearby for residents of the proposed project? YES NO

If **yes**, what services are available and the distances from the project.

Drug Court, less than 0.1 miles; Cane Kitchen, on-site; MCHC clinics, on-site; Letcher County Health Department, 0.1 miles; Whitesburg ARH hospital, 0.62 miles; additional on-site sober living services as part of program.

Comments on Section 12:

13. Emergency Health Care, Fire and Police Services

- a) Are emergency health care providers located within reasonable proximity to the proposed project?

Approximate response time: YES NO

Less than 5 minutes.

- b) Are police services located within reasonable proximity to the proposed project?

Approximate response time: YES NO

Less than 5 minutes

- c) What type of fire protection service is available?

municipal volunteer

- d) Is the fire protection service adequate and equipped to service the project?

Approximate response time: YES NO

Less than 5 minutes

Comments on Section 13:

14. Commercial/Retail and Transportation

- a) Are commercial/retail shopping services nearby? YES NO

If **yes**, what is the approximate distance to these services?

Save A Lot Food Store, 1.4 miles – 28-minute walk, 5-minute drive
Food City, 1.7 miles – 31-minute walk, 6-minute drive
Dollar Tree, 1.3 miles – 26-minute walk, 5-minute drive
Wal-Mart, 2.2 miles – 5-minute drive

b) Is the project accessible to employment, shopping and services? YES NO
If **yes**, by which modality/modalities?
 public transportation private vehicle walking

c) Are the approaches to the project convenient, safe and attractive? YES NO

Comments on Section 14:

Inspection Information

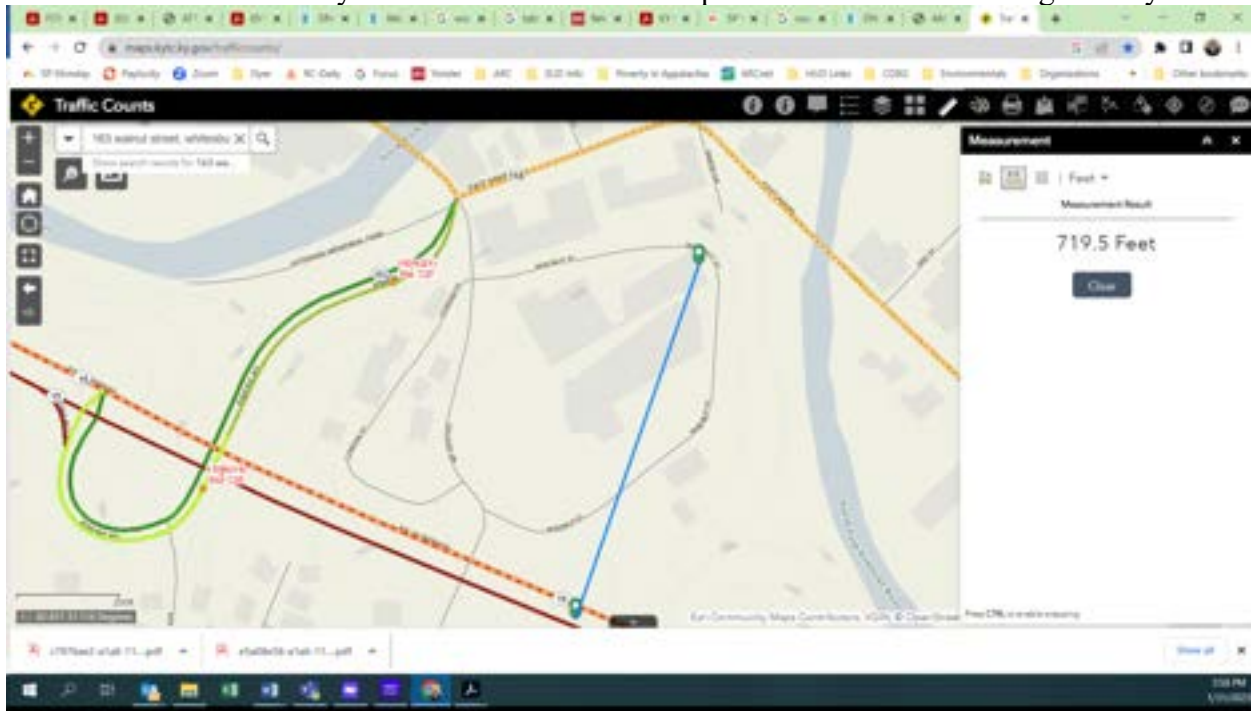
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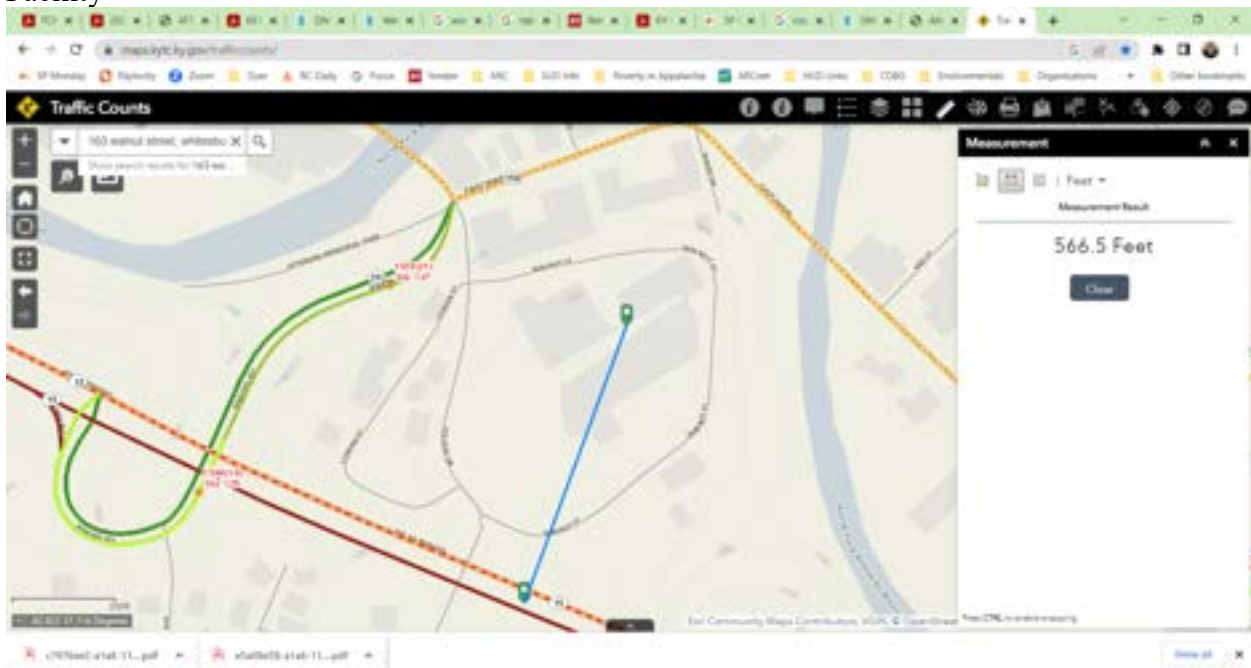
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Signature

Distance to middle of Hwy 15 from Front Door of Proposed Transitional Housing Facility



Distance to middle of Hwy 15 from second story Back Door of Proposed Transitional Housing Facility



Attachment 4 – Airport Hazards

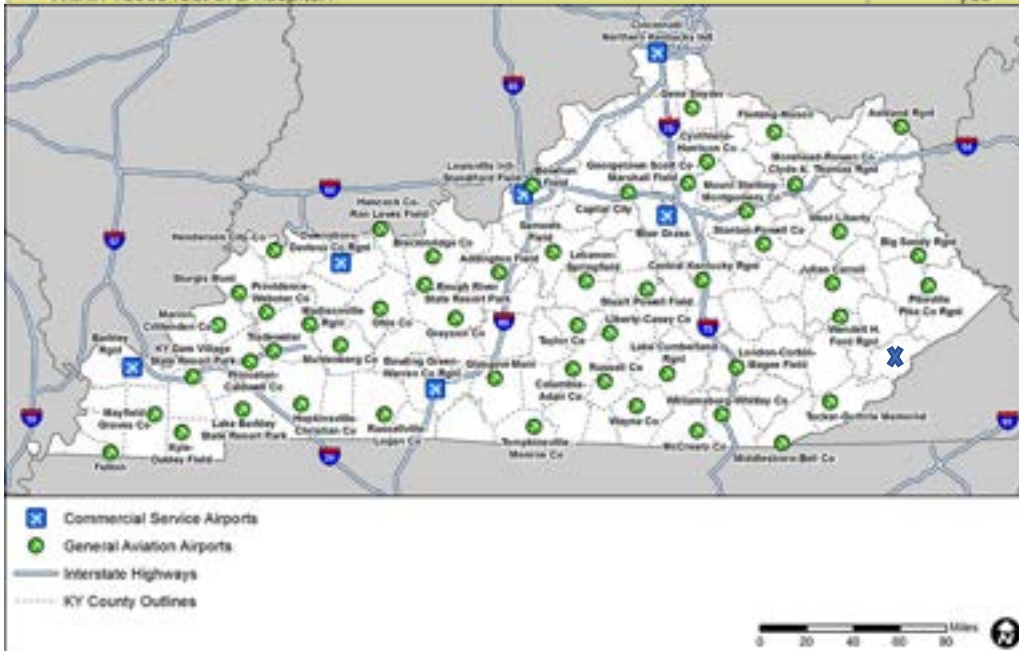
There is no airport, civil or military, within 15,000 feet of the project site.

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MCHC Transitional Housing Facility



Within 15000 feet of an air emission facility?	no
Within 15000 feet of a school?	yes
Within 15000 feet of an airport?	no
Within 15000 feet of a hospital?	yes



Google Maps showing distance to nearest airports.



Distance from 163 Walnut Street to Tucker-Guthrie Memorial Airport in Baxter, KY.



Distance from 163 Walnut Street to Wendell H Ford Airport in Hazard, KY.

Attachment 8 – Contamination and Toxic Substances

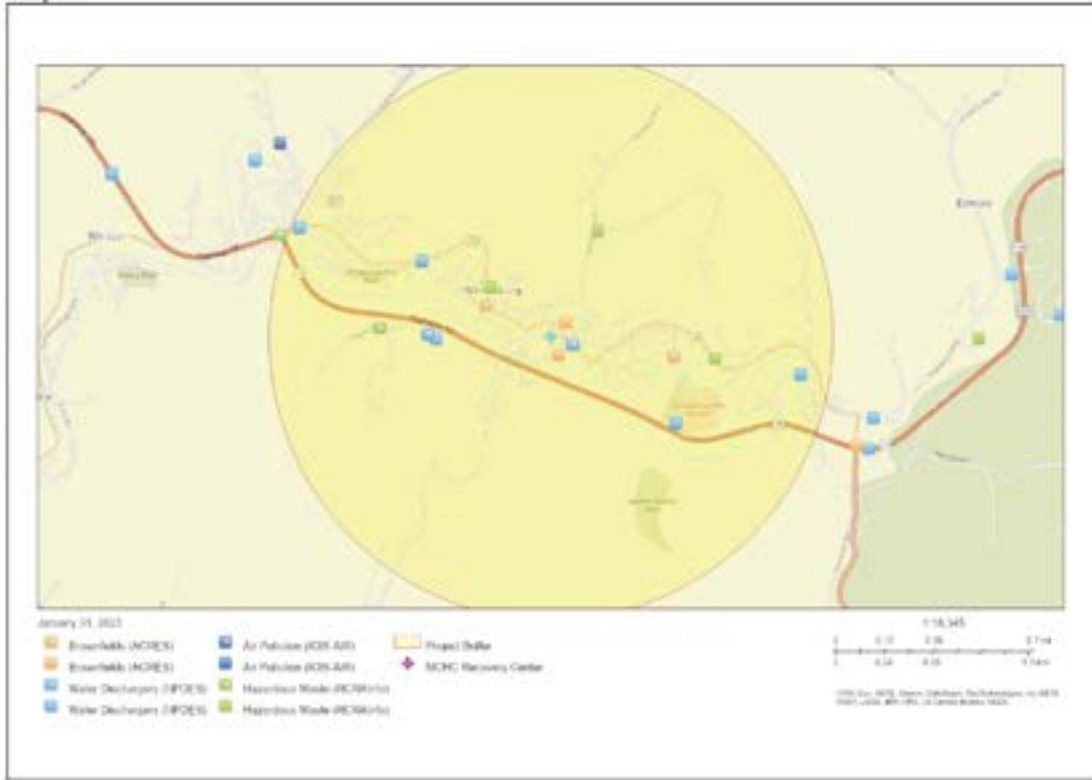
- There are no Superfund sites near the proposed project location.
- There are three sites with potentially hazardous chemicals within 3,000 feet of the proposed site.
- There are no other contamination or toxic substances identified nearby.

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Map



Geographic coordinates:

POINT (37.116815, -82.622660)
with buffer 1 mile

Note: The information in the following reports is based on publicly available databases and web services. The National Report uses nationally available datasets and the State Reports use datasets available through the EPA Regions. Click on the hyperlinked question to view the data source and associated metadata.

National Report

Project Location

37.116815, -82.622660

Within 1 mile of an Ozone 8-hr (1997 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of an Ozone 8-hr (2008 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a Lead (2008 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a SO2 1-hr (2010 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a PM2.5 24hr (2006 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a PM2.5 Annual (1997 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a PM2.5 Annual (2012 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a PM10 (1987 standard) Non-Attainment/Maintenance Area?	no
Within 1 mile of a Federal Land?	no
Within 1 mile of an impaired stream?	yes
Within 1 mile of an impaired waterbody?	no

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Within 1 mile of a waterbody?	yes
Within 1 mile of a stream?	yes
Within 1 mile of an NWI wetland?	click here May take several minutes
Within 1 mile of a Brownfields site?	yes
Within 1 mile of a Superfund site?	no
Within 1 mile of a Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) site?	no
Within 1 mile of a water discharger (NPDES)?	yes
Within 1 mile of a hazardous waste (RCRA) facility?	yes
Within 1 mile of an air emission facility?	no
Within 1 mile of a school?	no
Within 1 mile of an airport?	no
Within 1 mile of a hospital?	yes
Within 1 mile of a designated sole source aquifer?	no
Within 1 mile of a historic property on the National Register of Historic Places?	no
Within 1 mile of a Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) site?	no
Within 1 mile of a Land Cession Boundary?	no
Within 1 mile of a tribal area (lower 48 states)?	no
Within 1 mile of the service area of a mitigation or conservation bank?	yes
Within 1 mile of the service area of an In-Lieu-Fee Program?	yes
Within 1 mile of a Public Property Boundary of the Formerly Used Defense Sites?	no
Within 1 mile of a Munitions Response Site?	no
Within 1 mile of an Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)?	no
Within 1 mile of a Habitat Area of Particular Concern (HAPC)?	no
Within 1 mile of an EFH Area Protected from Fishing (EFHA)?	no
Within 1 mile of a Bureau of Land Management Area of Critical Environmental Concern?	no
Within 1 mile of an ESA-designated Critical Habitat Area per U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service?	no
Within 1 mile of an ESA-designated Critical Habitat river, stream or water feature per U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service?	no

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NEPAassist: Analysis

Within 0.5 miles of a waterbody?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of a stream?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of an NWI wetland?	click here May take several minutes
Within 0.5 miles of a Brownfields site?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of a Superfund site?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) site?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a water discharger (NPDES)?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of a hazardous waste (RCRA) facility?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of an air emission facility?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a school?	no
Within 0.5 miles of an airport?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a hospital?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a designated sole source aquifer?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a historic property on the National Register of Historic Places?	no
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Within 0.5 miles of a Land Cession Boundary?	no
Within 0.5 miles of a tribal area (lower 48 states)?	no
Within 0.5 miles of the service area of a mitigation or conservation bank?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of the service area of an In-Lieu-Fee Program?	yes
Within 0.5 miles of a Public Property Boundary of the Formerly Used Defense Sites?	no
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Within 0.5 miles of an Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)?	no
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Within 0.5 miles of an EFH Area Protected from Fishing (EFHA)?	no
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Within 0.5 miles of an ESA-designated Critical Habitat river, stream or water feature per U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service?	no

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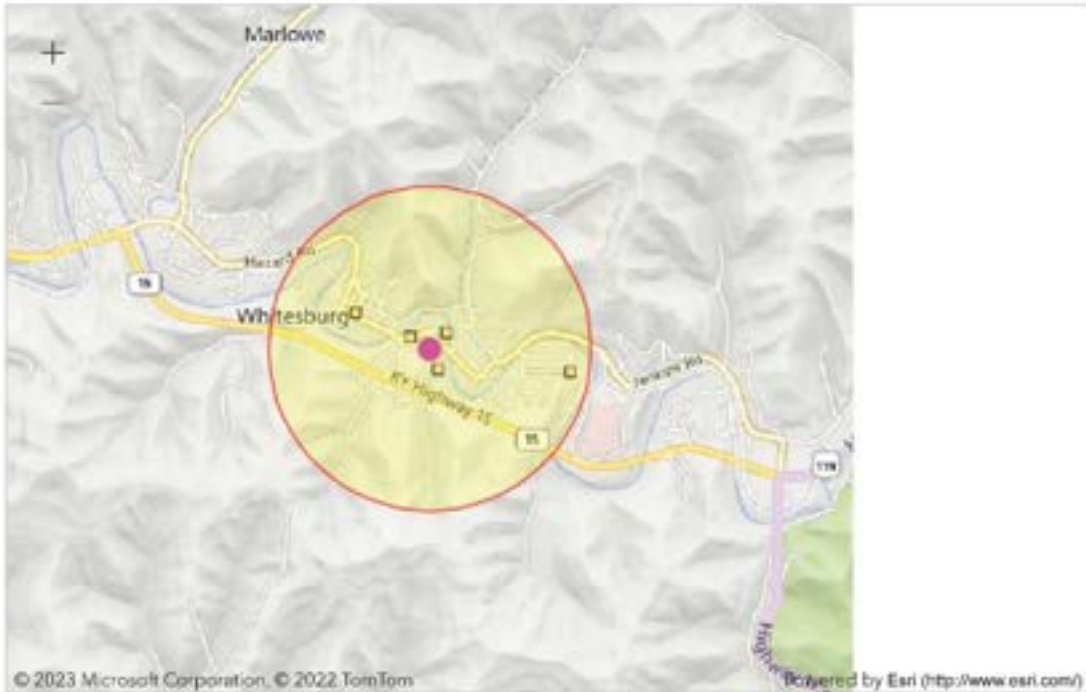
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Report question: Within 0.5 of a Brownfields site? yes

Modify question by entering a new buffer distance and unit for the selected study area:

Name	Distance
<input type="checkbox"/> AMD SITE 19 (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:122359)	0.44 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> AMD SITE 23 (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:122361)	0.44 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> DANIEL BOONE HOTEL (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:236282)	0.07 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> AMD SITE 17 (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:122338)	0.07 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND LICK WATERSHED (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:125184)	0.26 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> DRY FORK WATERSHED (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:125185)	0.26 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> AMD SITE 13 (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:122334)	0.44 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> PIGMAN BROTHERS' DRYCLEANERS (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:236384)	0.07 miles
<input type="checkbox"/> CRAFTS COLLY WATERSHED (WHITESBURG,KY) (https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/cimof?p=CIMC:31::Y:31,0:P31_ID:125185)	0.26 miles

Attachment 9 – Comments from Fish and Wildlife



KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Rich Storm
Commissioner

#1 Sportsman's Lane
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
Phone (502) 564-3400
Fax (502) 564-0506

Brian Clark
Deputy Commissioner

Gabe Jenkins
Deputy Commissioner

December 22, 2022

Fahe
Attn: Jerri R. Dyer
319 Oak Street
Berea, KY 41701

RE: MCHC Recovery Housing Project at the old Whitesburg High School
38 College Drive
Whitesburg, KY

Dear Ms. Dyer:

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) has received your request for information regarding updates to the subject project. Based on our review of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information System and the information provided we have no comments or concerns regarding state or federally protected species, wilderness areas or wildlife preserves, designated critical habitat, and migratory bird flyways.

I hope this information is helpful to you, if you have questions or require additional information, please call me at 502-892-4472.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Dawson".

Doug Dawson
Environmental Section Chief

Attachment 10 - Thermal & Explosive Hazards



The distance from the LP tank to Building 2 is 154 feet (measured on Google Earth). Between the LP tank and the Proposed Project Building is Building 1, a two-story, brick and steel construction former classroom building.



According to the HUD ASD online tool, the distance from a building must be 36.5 feet, which is less than the 154 feet between the LP tank and the proposed building site.

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Acceptable Separation Distance (ASD) Electronic Assessment Tool

The Environmental Planning Division (EPD) has developed an electronic-based assessment tool that calculates the Acceptable Separation Distance (ASD) from stationary hazards. The ASD is the distance from above ground stationary containerized hazards of an explosive or fire prone nature, to where a HUD assisted project can be located. The ASD is consistent with the Department's standards of blast overpressure (0.5 psi-buildings) and thermal radiation (450 BTU/ft² - hr - people and 10,000 BTU/ft² - hr - buildings). Calculation of the ASD is the first step to assess site suitability for proposed HUD-assisted projects near stationary hazards. Additional guidance on ASDs is available in the Department's guidebook "Siting of HUD- Assisted Projects Near Hazardous Facilities" and the regulation 24 CFR Part 51, Subpart C, Siting of HUD-Assisted Projects Near Hazardous Operations Handling Conventional Fuels or Chemicals of an Explosive or Flammable Nature.

Note: Tool tips, containing field specific information, have been added in this tool and may be accessed by hovering over the ASD result fields with the mouse.

Acceptable Separation Distance Assessment Tool

Is the container above ground?	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Is the container under pressure?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Does the container hold a cryogenic liquified gas?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Is the container diked?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
What is the volume (gal) of the container?	<input type="text" value="500"/>
What is the Diked Area Length (ft)?	<input type="text"/>
What is the Diked Area Width (ft)?	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Calculate Acceptable Separation Distance"/>	
Diked Area (sqft)	<input type="text"/>
ASD for Blast Over Pressure (ASDBOP)	<input type="text"/>

ASD for Thermal Radiation for People (ASDPPU)	207.20
ASD for Thermal Radiation for Buildings (ASDBPU)	36.50
ASD for Thermal Radiation for People (ASDPNPD)	
ASD for Thermal Radiation for Buildings (ASDBNPD)	

For mitigation options, please click on the following link: [Mitigation Options \(/resource/3846/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-hazard-mitigation-options/\)](/resource/3846/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-hazard-mitigation-options/)

Providing Feedback & Corrections

After using the ASD Assessment Tool following the directions in this User Guide, users are encouraged to provide feedback on how the ASD Assessment Tool may be improved. Users are also encouraged to send comments or corrections for the improvement of the tool.

Please send comments or other input using the [Contact Us \(https://www.hudexchange.info/contact-us/\)](https://www.hudexchange.info/contact-us/) form.

Related Information

- [ASD User Guide \(/resource/3839/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-assessment-tool-user-guide/\)](/resource/3839/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-assessment-tool-user-guide/)
- [ASD Flow Chart \(/resource/3840/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-flowchart/\)](/resource/3840/acceptable-separation-distance-asd-flowchart/)

Attachment 11 – State Historic Preservation Office Comments



Andy Beshear
Governor

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Dennis Keene
Commissioner

June 11, 2021

Mr. Drew Pritchard
Fahe
319 Oak Street
Berea, KY 40403

RE: Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation Recovery Housing at Whitesburg
SAI# KY202106030950
CFDA# 14.228

Dear Mr. Pritchard:

The Kentucky State e-Clearinghouse is the official designated Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for the Commonwealth pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 12372, and supported by Kentucky Statutes KRS 45.031. The primary function of the SPOC is to streamline the review aforementioned process for the applicant and the funding agency. This process helps in vocalizing the statutory and regulatory requirements. Information in the form of comments, if any, will be attached to this correspondence.

This proposal has been reviewed by the appropriate state agencies in the e-Clearinghouse for conflicts with state or local plans, goals and objectives. After receiving this letter, you should make it available to the funding agency and continue with the funding agencies application process. This e-Clearinghouse SPOC letter signifies only that the project has followed the state reviewing requirements, and is neither a commitment of funds from this agency or any other state or federal agency. Please remember if any federal reviews are required the applicant must follow through with those federal agencies.

The results of this review are valid for one year from the date of this letter. If the project is not submitted to the funding agency or not approved within one year after the completion of this review, the applicant can request an extension by email to Lee.Nalley@ky.gov. If the project changes in any way after the review, the applicant must reapply through the e-Clearinghouse for a new review. There are no exceptions.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the review process please contact the e-Clearinghouse office at 502-892-3462.

Sincerely,

Lee Nalley, SPOC
Kentucky State Clearinghouse

Attachment

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Department for Environmental Protection
Louanna Aldridge

This review was based upon the information that was provided by the applicant through the Clearinghouse for this project. An endorsement of this project does not satisfy, or imply, the acceptance or issuance of any permits, certifications or approvals that may be required from this agency under Kentucky Revised Statutes or Kentucky Administrative Regulations. Such endorsement means this agency has found no major concerns from the review of the proposed project as presented other than those stated as conditions or comments.

Division for Air Quality

Kentucky Division for Air Quality Regulation 401 KAR 63:010 Fugitive Emissions states that no person shall cause, suffer, or allow any material to be handled, processed, transported, or stored without taking reasonable precaution to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Additional requirements include the covering of open bodied trucks, operating outside the work area transporting materials likely to become airborne, and that no one shall allow earth or other material being transported by truck or earth moving equipment to be deposited onto a paved street or roadway. Please visit the division's fugitive emissions web site for more information <http://air.ky.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/Fugitive%20Dust%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

Regulation 401 KAR 63:005 states that open burning is prohibited. Open Burning is defined as the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the atmosphere without passing through a stack or chimney. However, open burning may be utilized for the expressed purposes listed on the <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/OpenBurning.aspx>.

Kentucky Division for Air Quality Regulation 401 KAR 58:025, Asbestos Standards, apply to this project if any renovation or demolition occurs. If so, a Kentucky Accredited Asbestos Inspector must inspect the project. Asbestos that will be affected by this activity must be removed by a Kentucky accredited contractor before renovation or demolition begins. Written notification must be given on form DEP 7036 to the Division for Air Quality Regional Office at least 10 weekdays prior the start of demolition or renovation, whether or not asbestos has been identified to be present. Please note form: <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/AsbestosInformation.aspx>

All solid waste generated by this project must be disposed at a permitted facility. If underground storage tanks are encountered they must be properly addressed. If asbestos, lead paint, and/or other contaminants are encountered during this project, they must be properly addressed.

If the proposed project site is in a designated flood hazard area, application must be made to the Division of Water for a floodplain construction permit. Permission, or exemption, depends upon design and the exact site.

If the construction area disturbed is equal to or greater than 1 acre, the applicant will need to apply for a Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (KPDES) stormwater discharge permit from Division of Water.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be utilized to control storm water runoff and sediment damage to water quality and aquatic habitat. For technical assistance on the kinds of BMPs most appropriate for projects of this type and related construction, please contact the local Soil and Water Conservation District or the Division of Conservation.

Utility line projects that cross a stream will require a Section 404 permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers and a 401 Water Quality Certification from DOW.

WATER SUPPLY - If an existing water server is to be utilized for new water tap-ons (rehabilitations, new constructions), ascertain the capacity and operating condition of the originating water treatment plant and of the server (if different) in comparison to the water needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to water servers Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to water systems operating near, at, or over capacity. If a new water source is to be utilized, ascertain the source's (stream's or well's) low flow ability to serve the proposed housing. Prior approval from DOW is required for water withdrawals of over 10,000 gallons per day and for all public drinking water. Final plans and specifications are subject to review by DOW.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT - If an existing wastewater server is to be utilized for new wastewater tap-ons (rehabilitations, new construction), ascertain the capacity and operating conditions of the receiving wastewater treatment facility (wastewater treatment plant or package sewage treatment plant) and of the server (if different) in comparison to the wastewater needs of the proposed housing. DOW cannot permit connections to wastewater servers under tap-on bans, Agreed Orders, or Court Orders. DOW may not give approval to connections to wastewater systems at or over hydraulic capacity. If a new wastewater treatment, facility is to be utilized, ascertain the discharge stream's ability to absorb the proposed projects treated wastewater.

Prior approval from DOW is required for all discharges into streams and for all wastewater treatment facilities.

DOW notes the requirements of onsite sewage disposal statutes, KRS 211.350 to 211.380, and administrative regulations, 902 KAR 10:060 to 10:110, must be met. DOW requests provisions be made for future connections to a wastewater treatment system. A Groundwater Protection Plan, as required by 401 KAR 5:037, needs to be prepared by all onsite wastewater system owners. Contact the DOW regarding requirements.

Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction
Don Newberry

KY Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, Division of Building Code Enforcing, has several points that must be considered for this project. Plans and applications for review and approval for a project of this type and size must be submitted to this Department. These applications must be authored by and architect and engineer(s) licensed to practice in Kentucky. **There are several approvals required. Please review the Department's web page for questions concerning this process.** dhbc.ky.gov
In addition, please contact local government offices for information on any zoning or business approvals which may be required.

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources
Doug Dawson

Based on the information provided, the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources has no comments concerning the proposed project. Please contact Doug Dawson at 502-892-4472 or doug.dawson@ky.gov if you have further questions or require additional information.

Kentucky River Area Development District
Angelia Hall

For file

KY Heritage Council
Yvonne Sherrick

To receive a review from the KY Heritage Council/State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) you must follow the instructions located on their website at <http://www.heritage.ky.gov/siteprotect/> . There you will find the required documents for the Section 106 Review and Compliance for 36 CFR Part 800. This Section 106 submission process to SHPO will assist applicants and agencies in providing the appropriate level of information to receive comments from SHPO. If you have any questions please contact Yvonne Sherrick, Administrative Specialist III, (502) 564-7005, Ext. 113, yvonne.sherrick@ky.gov.

Please note: If your project is funded through Transportation Alternative (TAP), Transportation Enhancements (TE), Congestion, Mitigation, Air Quality (CMAQ), or Safe Routes to School (SRTS) you will need to send this information to Michael Jones, Historic Preservation Program Administrator with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet via email MichaelR.Jones2@ky.gov or hard copy to Michael Jones, Office of Local Programs, KY Transportation Cabinet, 200 Mero Street Frankfort, KY 40622. Do not send materials directly to SHPO if your project involves funding from these four sources as it will cause delays in the review process. Michael Jones will consult directly with the SHPO on projects with those funding sources to complete the Section 106 review.

KYTC DISTRICT 12
Samuel Hale

No Comments.

Attachment 12 – Noise Abatement

The proposed site is located 719 feet from the center of State Highway 15 (front door). The back entrance distance has also been measured, as it is closer to the Highway than the front entrance (567 feet).

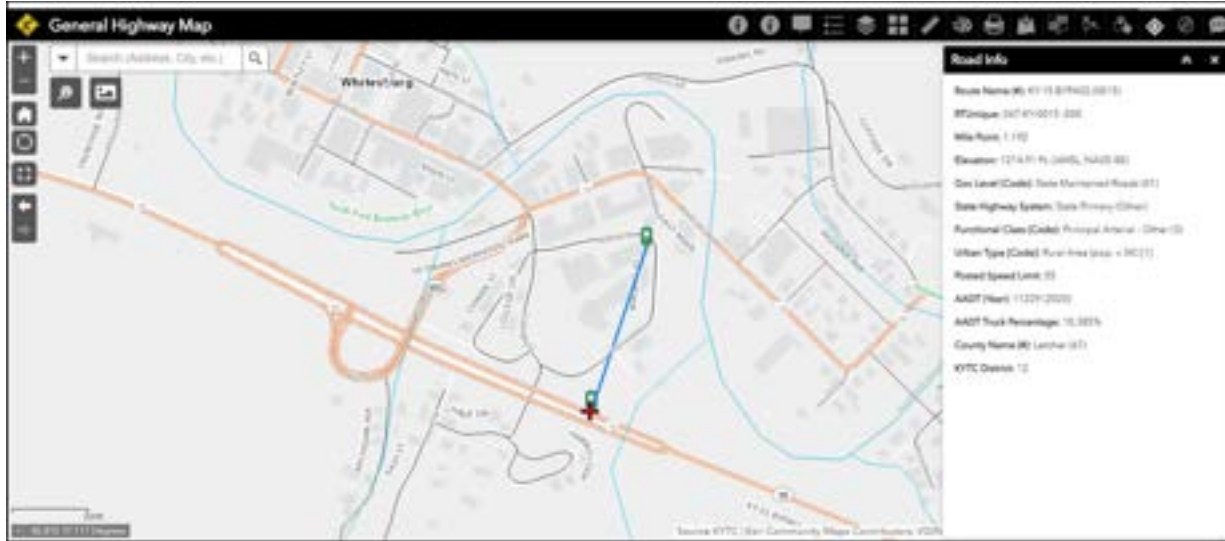


Table 102.1.1 AADT Thresholds for Low and High Volume Roadways

Facility	Urban		Rural	
	Low Volume AADT	High Volume AADT	Low Volume AADT	High Volume AADT
Freeway				
4-Lane Facility	57,000	69,000	46,000	56,000
6-Lane Facility	86,000	103,000	69,000	83,000
8-Lane Facility	114,000	138,000	92,000	111,000
Arterial				
2-Lane Facility	16,000	20,000	9,000	14,000
4-Lane Facility	37,000	43,000	38,000	47,000
6-Lane Facility	55,000	64,000	58,000	71,000
8-Lane Facility	69,000	80,000	--	--

State Highway 15 is Rural and is not considered to have a High Volume AADT.

Front Door DNL Level

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DNL Calculator

Site ID	163 Walnut Street, Whitesburg, KY MCHC Recovery Center Front Dr
Record Date	01/31/2023
User's Name	jerri R Dyer
Road # 1 Name:	Highway 15

Road #1

Vehicle Type	Cars <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heavy Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Distance to Stop Sign	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Average Speed	<input type="text" value="55"/>	<input type="text" value="55"/>	<input type="text" value="55"/>
Average Daily Trips (ADT)	<input type="text" value="11229"/>	<input type="text" value="466"/>	<input type="text" value="703"/>
Night Fraction of ADT	<input type="text" value="15"/>	<input type="text" value="15"/>	<input type="text" value="15"/>
Road Gradient (%)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Vehicle DNL	<input type="text" value="51"/>	<input type="text" value="47"/>	<input type="text" value="57"/>
Calculate Road #1 DNL	<input type="text" value="58"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Airport Noise Level

Loud Impulse Sounds? Yes No

Combined DNL for all Road and Rail sources

Combined DNL including Airport

Site DNL with Loud Impulse Sound

Back Door DNL Level

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User's Name	Jerri R Dyer

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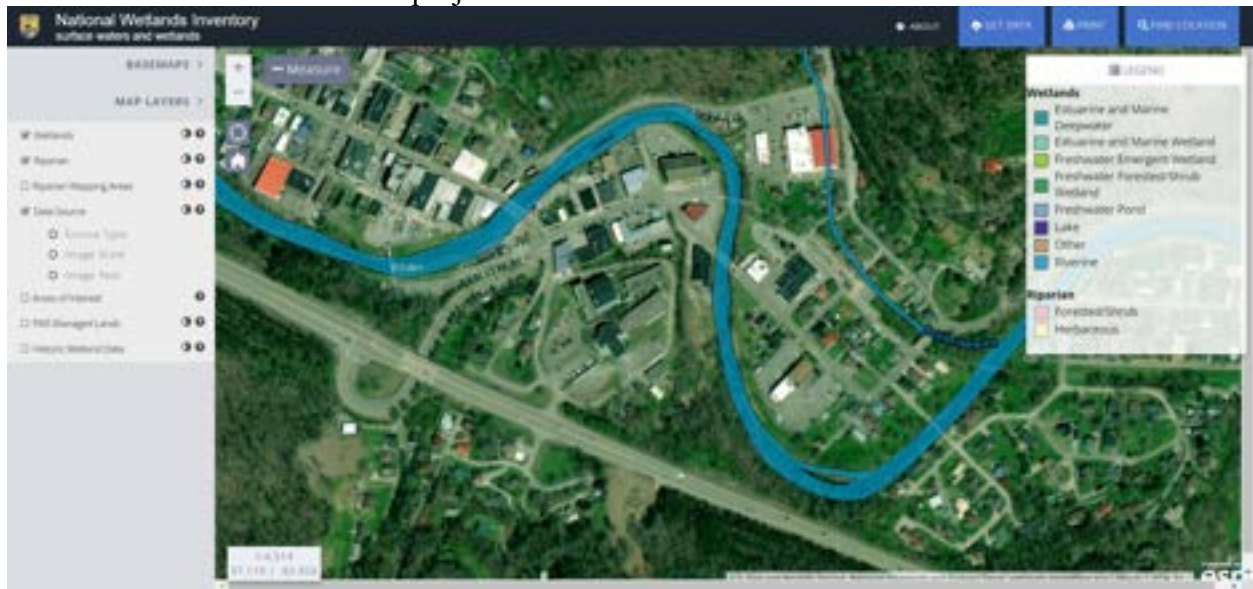
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Airport Noise Level

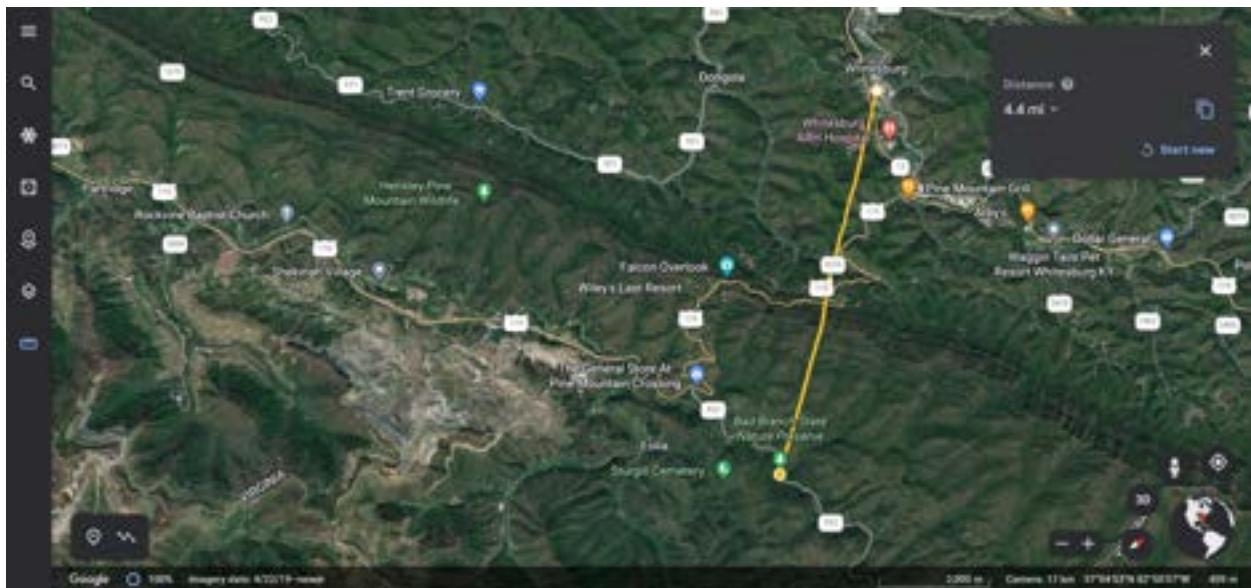
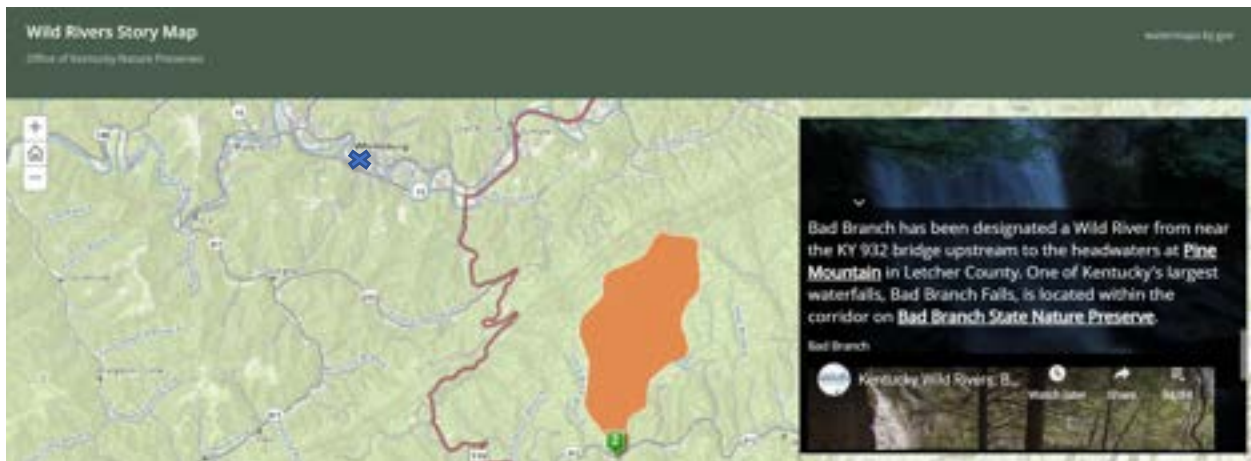
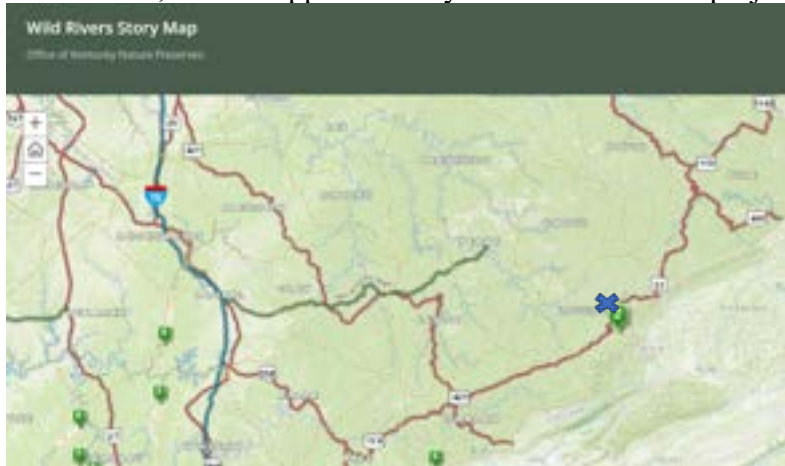
Attachment 13 - Wetlands

The proposed project area is not located in a wetland area.
No wetlands are noted near the project site.



Attachment 14 - Wild and Scenic Rivers

Bad Branch, located approximately 4.4 miles from the project site, is designated a wild river.



Note that the Cumberland River separates Whitesburg from Bad Branch.

Attachment 15 – Geologic Maps of Area Topographic Maps





Generalized Geologic Maps for Land Use Planning

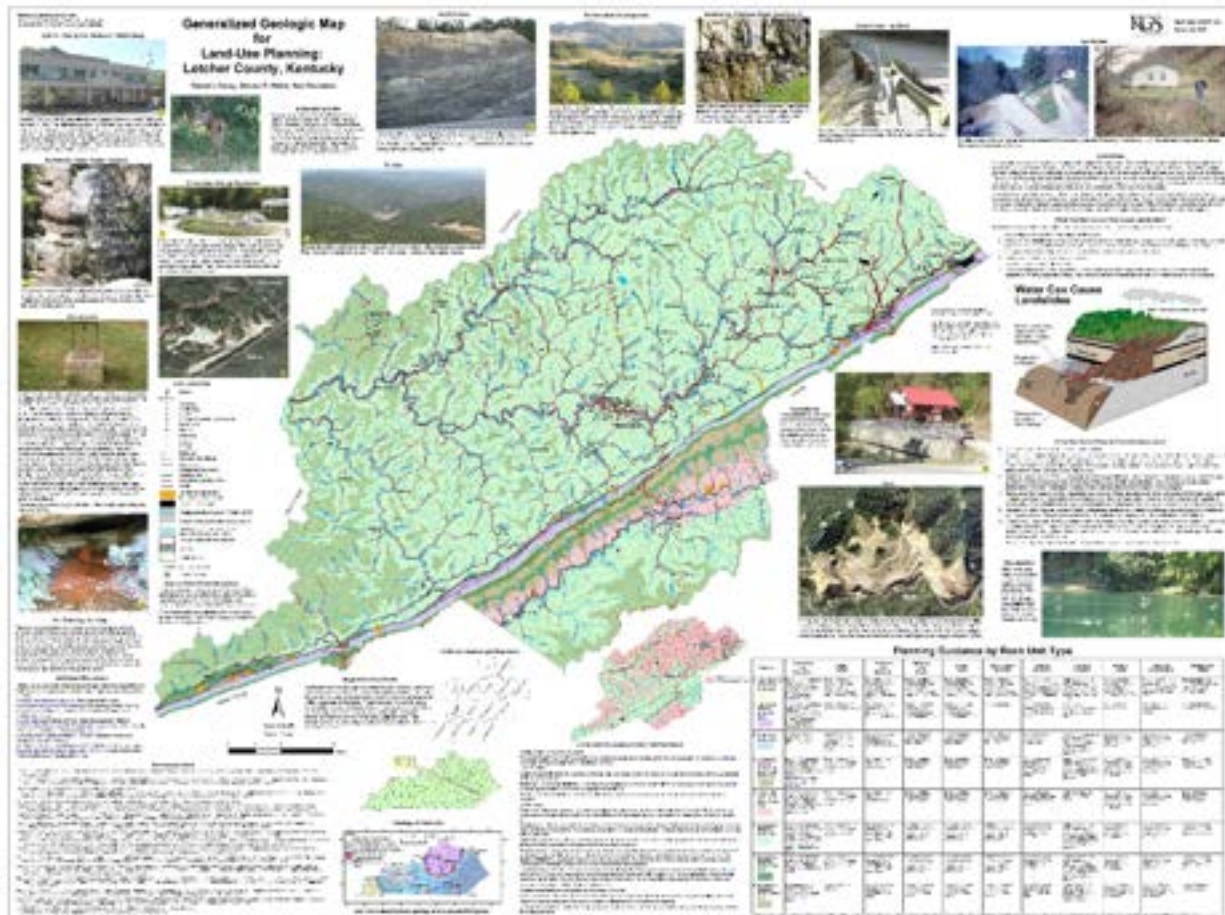
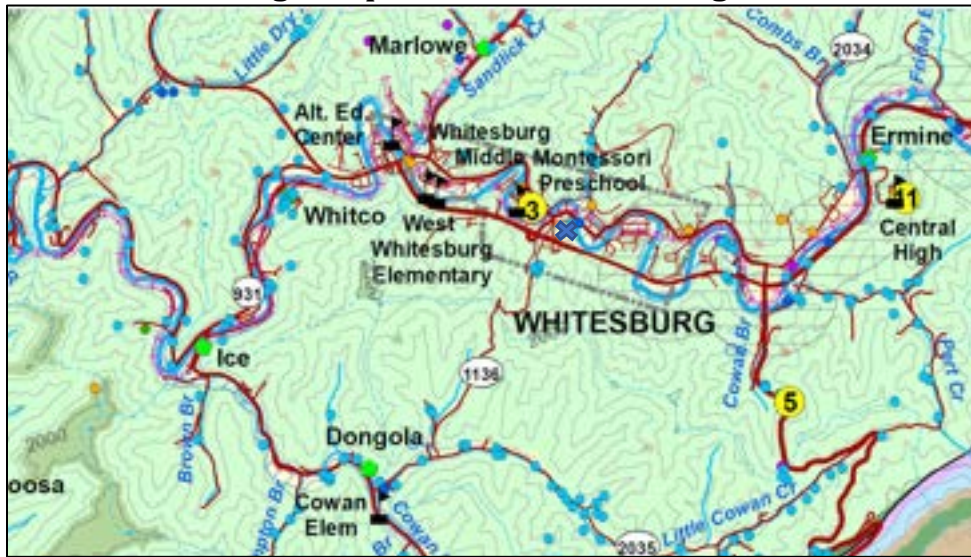



Figure 3. City Parks and Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College



Figure 4. Transportation and partial listing of services from LKLP Community Action.



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Programs

LKLP Community Action Council, Inc. has an array of programs that offer a multitude of services for the community and its residents. LKLP Programs, along with a brief description,

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Programs are listed below. Click on the program name to view the program webpage.

- **Community Collaboration for Children**
 Provides case management, safety planning, assessments, the development of goals and tasks, extensive documentation, and in-home parenting education.
- **Community Services/Block Grant**
 Outreach staff provide services to children, adults, elderly and all disabled persons whose incomes are at or below 123% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines. Services include: employment, education, nutrition, health, housing, linkage and income management.
 - **Jacobs County Outreach Office**
 - **Knott County Outreach Office**
 - **Leitcher County Outreach Office**
 - **Ferry County Outreach Office**
- **Compassionate Hearts Adult Day Health**
 Provides a safe and social stimulating environment, offering caregivers an alternative to nursing home care for their loved ones.
- **Domestic Violence Program/Safe House**

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Programs

- **Provides a safe, temporary shelter for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.**
- **Head Start**
 Federally funded program for preschool children from low-income families. Children participate in a variety of educational activities and receive free medical and dental care and healthy meal and snacks.
 - **Early Head Start**
- **Housing**
 Assists low to moderate income families in obtaining decent, affordable housing. They also provide homeownership and budget counseling and workshops.
- **Human Service Transportation Delivery**
 Provides non-emergency medical transportation to Medicaid, Department for the Blind and Vocational Rehabilitation clients.
- **Jobright**
 Offers a broad array of services for the jobseeker, including career planning, support services, training and job placement. They also offer services to employers helping them find, train and screen the employees they need to compete in today's economy.
- **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program**
 Provides home energy assistance to needy families throughout the LKLP

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Programs

- **service area. They extend funds to electric and natural gas companies, purchase bulk fuels, space heaters and survival kits for needy families.**
- **Public Transportation**
 Provides an on demand response system in which riders schedule appointments at least 24 hours in advance and a vehicle is sent specifically to pick up scheduled riders.
- **Self-Help Parenting Class**
 Teaches parents more and/or better parenting skills. Court ordered and DCBS referrals are accepted, but parents can also attend without being referred.
- **Victims of Crime Assistance**
 Offers counseling services to adults and children who suffer emotional and/or physical trauma because of criminal acts.
- **Weatherization**
 Provides necessary home repairs to prevent heat loss and repairs or replaces heating systems when necessary.
- **Workforce Investment Opportunity Act**
 Assists low-income individuals in acquiring the necessary skills to become gainfully employed.
 - **WIOA Adult**
 - **WIOA Youth**

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Attachment 17 – Scoping Letters

December 8, 2022

Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection
300 Sower Boulevard
Frankfort, KY 40601

To Whom It May Concern:

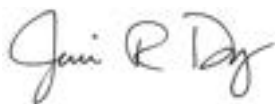
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Sincerely,



Jerri R. Dyer

December 8, 2022

Mr. Dan Stoelb
Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources
1 Sportsman's Lane
Frankfort, KY 40601

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Eastern Kentucky Regulatory Office
845 Sassafras Creek Road
Sassafras, KY 41759

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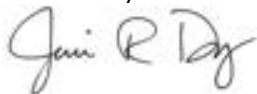
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9116 Leesgate Road
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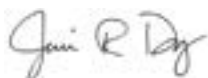
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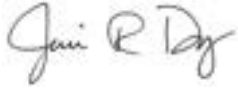
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Kentucky State Office
771 Corporate Drive, Ste 300
Lexington, KY 40503

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Attachment 18 - THPO Scoping Letters

5/6/22, 11:38 AM Tribal Historic Preservation review for Transitional Housing Project in Whitesburg, KY

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Mike Jackson

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Mr. Townsend,

Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation (MCHC) is a Federally Qualified Health Center based in Whitesburg, KY. MCHC has received an Appalachian Regional Commission POWER grant to rehabilitate a former school building on the former Whitesburg High School Campus and turn it into a Transitional Housing Facility for men who have recently completed inpatient Substance Use Disorder rehabilitation and therapy.

Since this building is already in place and the exterior is in good physical shape, there will be no ground disturbance necessary for this project.

Appalachian Regional Commission contracts with other government agencies to facilitate their awards and MCHC is working with USDA Rural Development on this project. As a part of Rural Development's review process, MCHC is requesting a Tribal Historic Preservation review for the building and property to be rehabilitated.

MCHC has received a finding of "No Adverse Effect to Historic Properties" for a Section 106 Review completed by the State Historic Preservation Office in Frankfort.

I have attached the letter from the SHPO as well as all the documentation that they required for their review. If you need further information to complete your review, please do not hesitate to email or call.

Thank you for your time, concern and cooperation.

Mike Jackson

Corporate Compliance Officer

Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation

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Attachment 19 - USDA Farmlands



United States Department of Agriculture

Fahe Strength in Numbers
319 Oak Street
Berea, KY 40403

January 31, 2023

Mountain Comprehensive Health Corporation Recovery Housing Program Community Development
Block Grant (CDBG-RHP), Letcher County, Whitesburg, Kentucky

Dear Jerri R. Dyer,

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has reviewed the information submitted for the subject project in Letcher County, KY. The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is concerned with potential impacts that projects might have upon prime farmland soils, farmlands of statewide importance, PL-566 watershed structures, wetlands identified under the Food Security Act, Wetland Reserve Program (WRP/WRE) and Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) easements.

KY NRCS is not aware of any existing easements, plans or activities related to ongoing efforts in the defined project area. A cursory review indicates that there are no prime farmlands or farmlands of statewide importance located within the project area. If it is determined that prime farmlands or farmlands of statewide importance are present and may be converted from agricultural to non-agricultural uses a form AD-1006 (or Form NRCS-CPA-106 if the project is a corridor type project) must be submitted to the local NRCS office. These forms may be obtained from any local NRCS office and are also available as electronic forms on the web at:

<http://forms.sc.epov.usda.gov/eForms/welcomeAction.do?Home>.

NRCS has no further environmental comments regarding the proposed project. We appreciate the opportunity to provide input on this project. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Steve Blanford, State Soil Scientist at (859) 224-7607 or Christina Pappas, NRCS KY State Cultural Resource Specialist at (859) 224-7433 or christina.pappas@usda.gov.

Sincerely,

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Acting State Conservationist

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