



To: IHCDA Partners
From: IHCDA Asset Preservation Department
Date: May 22, 2014
Re: Blight Elimination Program- Notice and Hearing Requirements

Notice: BEP-14-12

Each successful applicant for the Blight Elimination Program (BEP) must adhere to the notice and hearing guidelines set forth in the Notice. No demolition activities may commence prior to the completion of the Notice and Hearing process.

Each successful applicant shall issue a notice ("BEP Notice") using the BEP Notice form available at www.877gethope.org/blight. The BEP Notice shall be displayed in the county courthouse. If a county has more than one courthouse, the BEP Notice shall be displayed at the courthouse within the city or town limits of the successful applicant. The BEP Notice shall also be displayed at the city hall, town hall, and/or meeting place of the city and town council. The BEP Notice shall also be displayed at the public library within the city or town limits.

The BEP Notice shall be published in a newspaper. If the successful applicant is a city or town where a newspaper is published, the BEP Notice must be published in that paper. If more than one paper is published in the successful applicant's city or town, the applicant shall publish the BEP Notice in the paper with the highest circulation. If no paper is published in the city or town of the successful applicant, the BEP Notice shall be published in the paper within in the county of the successful applicant. If more than one paper is published in the county, the BEP Notice shall be published in the paper with the largest circulation. The BEP Notice must run for three consecutive days in the designated paper. The BEP Notice shall be published in the format of a legal notice in the designated paper; however, the BEP Notice must still contain all information contained in the form provided.

The BEP Notice must advise that a public hearing concerning the applicant's BEP projects ("BEP Hearing") will be held no sooner than thirty (30) days and no later than forty-five (45) days after the last date of publication. The BEP Notice must advise the date, time and location of the hearing. The BEP Notice must advise that the hearing is open to the public, and that anyone wishing to make comment shall appear at the designated date and time. A designated representative of Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority ("IHCDA") will attend the hearing. A representative for the applicant and a representative from each program partner shall also attend. The applicant shall arrange for the meeting place and equipment necessary to record the BEP Hearing. The audio recording shall be maintained by the applicant and available for inspection and audit with all other BEP documentation.

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A successful applicant may elect to publish more than one notice and hold more than one hearing. A residential structure may not be demolished until its common address has been included in a BEP Notice and a BEP Hearing associated with that Notice has been held.

General information about the Blight Elimination Program and the application process may be found at www.877GetHope.org/blight. For more information, please contact Rayanna Binder at 317-372-7885 or email Feedback@ihcda.IN.gov.

