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Mr. Patrick J. O'Brien Director Office of Economic Adjustment 400 Army Navy Drive, Suite 200 Arlington, VA 22202-2884

SUBJECT: Yolo County Board of Supervisors Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) July 17, 2007, Request for Deadline Extension for the Davis Communications Site

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

This responds to an August 31, 2007, request for the Department of Housing and Urban Development's consultation on the Office of Economic Adjustment's reply to the above-referenced request from the LRA for the Davis Communications Site. On July 17, 2007, the LRA submitted a request to extend the deadline to submit a redevelopment plan to HUD to November 1, 2007. The reason given for the extension request is that the County can not make any final land use determinations until the documents that define land use restrictions are finalized, so that a complete reuse determination may be made. This letter constitutes HUD's consultation under the program regulations found at 24 CFR 586.15(a) and 32 CFR 176.15(a).

The standard for granting an extension is established in 24 CFR 586.15(a) and 32 CFR 176.15(a). The standard is that the extension is in the best interest of the community. According to the LRA, their planning efforts were hindered by not receiving the land use restrictions from the U.S. Air Force and the Regional Water Quality Board until August, 2007. HUD would concur that it is in the best interest of the community to grant extensions until an informed reuse determination can be made by understanding the land use restrictions. However, the extension deadline date proposed is an insufficient amount of time to cure the defect of a 61-day solicitation period to receive Notices of Interest (NOIs.) The Department recommends providing the LRA at least a 120-day extension from the date of this letter to provide for the statutorily required 90 days to receive NOIs, time to hold a public hearing, and to complete and submit the reuse plan. HUD also requests a copy of the final extension approvals provided to the LRAs.

We look forward to working with you and continuing our cooperative relationship.

Sincerely.

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