

ADDENDUM No.1
No. 2026-105
Lewis County Vacant and Blight Property Inventory

Date: July 14, 2026
To Whom It May Concern:

Is the intent for the inventory and scoring matrix to include **all municipalities within Lewis County**, including every town and village, or is the effort focused only on specific target areas identified by the County? If so, is there a project area map with an estimated parcel count?

It will be all municipalities, with a focus on Villages, hamlets, population centers, and significant travel corridors.

Can you provide your HCR CDBG contract so we're clear on the definition of "blight" and "inventory"?

The CDBG contract does not contain the definitions of "blight" or "inventory" that you're looking for, as those terms are established through HUD regulations and New York State Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) program guidance rather than the contract itself. Because the contract would not provide the information needed to answer your question, I do not believe it would be helpful to share it.

For the applicable guidance, I would encourage you to reference:

- **24 CFR Part 570**, specifically **24 CFR § 570.483**, which outlines the CDBG National Objectives for the State CDBG Program, including the criteria for activities meeting the Urgent Need (Imminent Threat) national objective.
- **HUD's *Guide to National Objectives and Eligible Activities for State CDBG Programs***, which provides additional explanation of the National Objectives, including activities that address slums and blight.
- **New York State HCR CDBG Program guidance and the applicable Request for Applications (RFA)**, which describe HCR's program-specific expectations for documenting conditions such as blight, vacant properties, and property inventories within a funding application.

These resources provide the governing framework that HCR uses when evaluating CDBG projects and are the appropriate references for the definitions and documentation standards you're seeking. Generally, however, we can note that we're looking for buildings that are:

- Unoccupied;
- Not being actively used for its intended purpose;
- Lacking utilities or active operations;
- Showing signs of abandonment or long-term non-use;
- Deteriorated building exteriors or foundations;
- Broken windows, boarded openings, or unsecured structures;
- Vermin or pest infestations;
- Imminent structural collapse;
- Attractive nuisance conditions (open buildings, trespassing, vandalism);
- Fire hazards;
- Conditions that endanger nearby residents; and/or
- Unsecured buildings creating safety risks;

Can you provide the Master Contract referred to in item 3.7?
Item 3.7 can be omitted from the proposal.

Please reach out if you have any questions.



Brian Hanno
Lewis County Purchasing Director

**Receipt of Addendum Acknowledgement
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**ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
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**Please acknowledge the receipt of the above ADDENDUM issued by the County
of Lewis, by signature and recording the date of receipt below.**

Bidder:

Authorized Signatory: _____ Date:

****NOTE: This form must be included in your bid documents if
any Addendum is issued**